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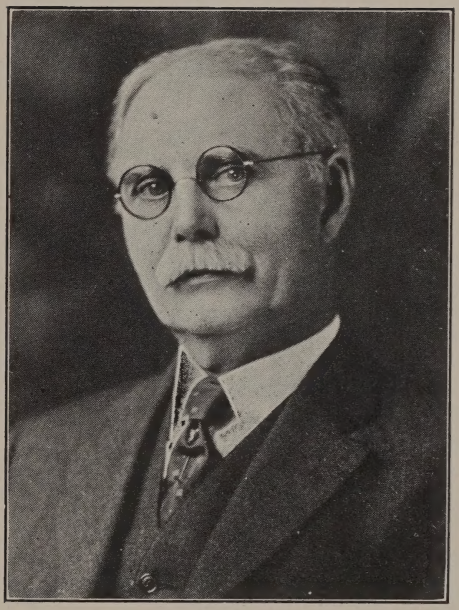

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CHAPEL OF "THE INN,"
WINONA LAKE, INDIANA, Wednesday, June 4, 1924.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment, at the above place and date, at 10:00 a. m., and in the absence of the retiring Moderator, was constituted with prayer by the former Moderator, J. R. W. Stevenson. F. F. Reade was appointed Clerk pro tem. The Court then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock, Walter McCarroll leading in prayer.

F. F. READE, Clerk pro tem.

THURSDAY FORENOON

THE CHRISTIAN TEMPLE,
WINONA LAKE, INDIANA, June 5, 1924.

Synod met according to adjournment at 10:00 a. m., on the above date and in the place named, and listened to the sermon of the retiring Moderator, on Second Corinthians 5:18-20, after which he constituted the Court with prayer. The minutes of the session of the preceding day were read and approved. The roll was completed, called and is as follows:

ROLL

Ministers Elders	Congregation	Attend. Record T—Tardy X—Excused
Acheson, T. H.	Pittsburgh	* * * * * * * *
Aikin, Geo. E.	Kansas City	* * * * * * * *
Aikin, W. A.	Without charge	* * * * * * * *
Allen, F. E.	Winnipeg	* * * * * * * *

Allen, W. C.	Rehoboth, Iowa	*	*	*	*	*	*	T	T	
Anderson, J. W.	Allegheny	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Blair, R. A.	Parnassus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Boyd, T. H.	Pittsburgh	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	T	
Brown, Samuel	Eskridge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Buck, E. H.	Denver	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Calderwood, David	Denver	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Campbell, R. J.	Utica							*	*	*
Carithers, I. R.	Sharon	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Carithers, W. W.	Indian Mission	*	T	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Carson, Chas. T.	Greeley	*	*	*	*	*	*	X	X	
Carson, J. W.	Topeka	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Carson, M. K.	Sparta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Caskey, Cloyd E.	Indian Mission	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Caskey, J. F.	Sterling	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Clarke, Robert	Geneva College			*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, Geo. S.	Hopkinton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, J. M.	Witness work	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, John	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, Paul	Kansas City	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, W. J.	Allegheny	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Conner, S. G.	Millers Run					*	X	X	X	
Cook, W. R.	College Hill	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Crooks, E. A.	New Castle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Dill, J. R.	2nd Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Dodds, C. A.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Dodds, R. J. C.	Beaver Falls	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Edgar, Samuel	Eskridge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Elliott, D. H.	Fwd. Mvmt. Secy.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Elsey, D. B.	Barnet	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Elsey, E. M.	Cincinnati	*	*	*	*	*	*	T	T	
Faris, Isaiah	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Faris, T. L.	Santa Ana	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Fee, John	Stafford	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	X	
Ferguson, W. O.	Denison	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Finley, Albert	Greeley		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Fleming, Jos.	Seattle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Forsythe, J. G.	Little Beaver	*	*	T	*	*	X	X	X	
Foster, F. M.	3rd New York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Foster, H. G.	Bellefontaine	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Foster, J. M.	2nd Boston	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Fulton, W. S.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Gault, J. K.	Cambridge		*	*	*	*	X	*	*	
Gilmore, J. B.	La Junta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	X	
Greer, G. N.	Santa Ana		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
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Kingston, S. F.	Selma	*	*	T	*	*	*	T
Latimer, J. R.	Lochiel			*	T	*	*	*
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Martin, J. S.	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Martin, R. H.	Natl. Reform						*	*
Mathews, D. C.	New Alexandria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mathews, J. C.	Southfield	*	*	*	*	*	X	X
Milligan, J. M.	Billings	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mitchell, E. C.	Quinter	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mitchell, J. T.	Rehoboth, Pa.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Moore, James	Bloomington	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McBurney, Edw.	Portland	*	*	*	*	*	*	X
McBurney, W. J.	Orlando	*	*	*	T	*	*	T
McCarroll, Walter	2nd New York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McClurkin, W. C.	S. S. North Union	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McConaughy, H. G.	Hetherton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McDonald, Malcom	Southfield	*	*	*	*	X	*	*
McDonald, P. J.	Chicago	*	*	*	*	X	*	*
McFall, Thomas	Cornwallis	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McFeeters, J. C.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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McIsaac, R. J.	Southern Mission	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKelvey, J. T.	Belle Center	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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McKnight, R. J. G.	Seminary	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, T. C.	New Concord & J. C.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, W. J.	1st Boston	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Orr, O. C.	New Castle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Park, D. C.	Syracuse					*	*	X
Park, D. W.	2nd New York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Park, Robert	Geneva College					*	*	X
Patterson, H. G.	Morning Sun	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Patterson, J. L.	Old Bethel	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Patton, E. K.	Winchester	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pearce, M. M.	Geneva College					*	*	*
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Piper, J. Ren	Oakdale	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pollock, Andrew	Bear Run & M.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Redpath, R. W.	College Hill	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reed, J. G.	Little Beaver	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Robb, G. M.	Bloomington	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Thompson, O. F.	Old Bethel	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Wallace, J. M.	Millers Run	*	*	*	T	*	X	*
White, Boyd A.	Walton	*	*	*	*	*	X	*
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Wilson, F. M.	3rd Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wilson, R. S.	Parnassus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, A. A.	Syracuse	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. M.	Oakdale	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. R.	Natl. Reform	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. W.	Hemet	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, Oliver	Wilkinsburg	*	*	*	*	*	*	T
Wylie, R. C.	Seminary	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Yellowfish	Cache Creek		*	*	*	*	*	*

Ministers present, 95; elders, 44; total 139. Congregations represented by both minister and elder, 34; by minister alone, 40; by elder alone, 10; total 84.

Ministers absent: R. C. Adams, J. W. F. Carlisle, S. J. Crowe, J. F. Crozier, J. W. Dill, R. J. Dodds, G. A. Edgar, J. D. Edgar, F. D. Frazer, A. A. Johnston, Julius Kempf, A. J. Khouri, G. R. McBurney, James McCune, J. G. McElhinney, R. S. McElhinney, T. H. McElwain, A. J. McFarland, Wm. McFarland, H. B. McMillan, J. T. Mitchell, J. L. Pinkerton, R. W. Piper, A. I. Robb, W. G. Robb, T. A. Rusk, B. M. Sharp, T. C. Sproull, J. S. Thompson. Total 29.

Congregations not represented: Brookland, Coldenham, Delburne, Lake Reno, Lisbon, Long Branch, Los Angeles, Newburgh, Regina, Slippery Rock, Syrian, Vernon. Total 12.

G. M. Robb was unanimously chosen Moderator by acclamation. D. C. Mathews and T. C. McKnight were re-elected Clerk, and Assistant Clerk respectively.

The Rev. D. R. Drukker, of Zeeland, Michigan, addressed the Court as fraternal Delegate of the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church, and was heard with great appreciation.

Walter McCarroll submitted the report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises, which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES

To the Moderator and Members of Synod:

Your Committee on Devotional Exercises would respectfully report the following list of subjects and leaders for our hour of praise and prayer:

Subject:—Paul's Prayers for the Church.

Thursday, June 5th—

Deliverance from this present evil age. Gal. 1:3-5.
Leader, P. J. McDonald; alternate, David Calderwood.

Friday, June 6th—

A spirit of wisdom and revelation. Eph. 1:17-19.
Leader, W. M. Robb; alternate, A. M. Thompson.

Saturday, June 7th—

Christ dwelling in the heart. Eph. 3:14-19.
Leader, M. M. Pearce; alternate, John Coleman.

Monday, June 9th—

Approving things excellent. Phil. 1:9-11.
Leader, S. E. Greer; alternate, A. A. Wylie.

Tuesday, June 10th—

Walking worthily of the Lord. Col. 1:9-12.
Leader, E. K. Patton; alternate, A. A. Samson.

Wednesday, June 11th—

The name of the Lord Jesus glorified. II Thes. 1:11,12.
Leader, R. C. Wylie; alternate, W. J. Coleman.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER McCARROLL, Chairman.

The Presbyteries were granted leave to sit during the intervals of Synod.

The hours of meeting were fixed from 8:45 to 11:45 a. m., and 2 to 5 p. m.

The Clerk's report was read and adopted, with reference of the item pertaining to publishing the Docket to the Finance Committee, and the naming of committees to prepare memorials for deceased ministers to the Committee on Nominations.

CLERK'S REPORT

Twelve hundred copies of the Minutes of 1923 were published and placed in the hands of Mr. Tibby for sale.

The Moderator prepared and the Clerk sent out a Synodical letter of greeting to each of the Young People's Conventions of the summer, as directed by Synod.

The letter to President Harding, commending his stand with reference to the enforcement of the prohibitory laws, was forwarded to him. As it was near the time he started on his fatal western trip, it was doubtful if he received it. To carry out the purpose of Synod, the Clerk wrote to President Coolidge, explaining the circumstances and enclosing a copy of the letter sent Mr. Harding, and expressing the hope that he would carry out the expressed determination of Mr. Harding to enforce the law. An acknowledgment of this letter was received from the President's Secretary.

As directed by Synod, letters were sent to Honorable William Jennings Bryan and the Rev. Dr. Clarence E. McCartney commending their efforts to maintain the orthodox faith. No reply was received from the former, but a letter of warm appreciation was received from Dr. McCartney.

The report on Unfinished Business has been prepared and appears in the Docket.

In keeping with the report on Vital Statistics adopted by last Synod, the Clerk prepared a form for gathering the statistics of the congregations, and a corresponding form for the Presbyterial reports. It was not thought advisable to print large numbers of these until they had been tried out and any changes thought desirable made. The blanks for the Presbyterial reports were prepared by hand.

The death of Mr. Pritchard, who originated the publication of Synod's Docket, left the Clerk without his efficient help in that work. Four hundred copies were published as usual. The printer's bill was $45. Each delegate to Synod is entitled to a copy free, and to as many additional copies as desired at ten cents each. The Clerk would recommend that the giving of free copies be discontinued, and that the Dockets be sold at fifteen cents straight. At the present cost of publication, this would meet the expense.

The Order of Business as it appears in the Docket has been arranged in accordance with the permanent Order adopted by Synod. As Synod is one day late in beginning, it will have to run one day behind the schedule. The following Conferences have been arranged for: Wednesday evening, Witness Work; Thursday evening, Home Missions; Friday evening, Young People's Work.

The program for Sabbath is as follows:

10:00 a. m., Sabbath School: J. S. Tibby, Superintendent.
Prof. J. M. Coleman, Teacher.

11:00 a. m., Rev. David Calderwood, Psalm explanation.
Rev. J. B. Tweed, Sermon.

3.00 p. m., Prayer Meeting: Rev. W. M. Robb, Leader.

8:00 p. m., Rev. A. A. Wylie, Sermon.

As there has not been a Conference on Secret Societies since 1917, the Clerk would suggest the appointment of a Committee to prepare a program on that subject for next Synod.

Two printer's errors should be noted in the published Minutes of 1923:

Page 7, 2nd paragraph, end first line: Strike out words, "has provided a suitable," and insert, "rearranged and condensed."

Page 115, end Item 5: Insert omitted line, "and for the gathering and storing of the materials for the Lib-."

On page 201, the name of Hanna Besna should be inserted as an ordained minister in the Syrian field.

The names of the following ministers have been removed from our roll during the year by death: T. J. Allen, D. D., January 18, 1924, and A. A. Samson, D. D., accidentally killed, April 11, 1924.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m., prayer by J. H. Pritchard.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 o'clock.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and was led in prayer by Elder S. M. Steele. The roll was called. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Rev. S. H. Kirkbride addressed the Synod in behalf of the American Bible Society. The Moderator assured him of the deep interest of the Covenanter Church in the work of that Society.

J. S. Tibby read the report of Synod's Board of Trustees and submitted his report as Treasurer. Both were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Foreign Mission Board was read by the Corresponding Secretary, F. M. Wilson, and was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. The report of the Treasurer of the Foreign Board, with accompanying Auditor's report, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

E. L. McKnight presented the report of the Central Board of Missions, which was referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

The report of the Jewish Mission Board was read by F. L. Stewart, and referred to the Committee on Home Missions. The report of the Treasurer was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Board of Church Erection was submitted by S. E. Greer, and taken up item by item. F. M. Foster was heard in support of the second item. The filling of vacancies was referred to the Committee on Nominations. The Treasurer's report was referred to the Committee on Finance. The report as adopted follows:

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

Synod's Board of Church Erection would respectfully report as follows:

The following named persons are the officers of the Board: Evan W. Jones, President; T. M. Slater, Vice-President; S. E. Greer, Secretary.

Applications for aid from Superior, Nebraska; Orlando, Florida, and Chicago, Illinois, came before us for consideration. Also informal requests from Stafford, Kansas, and Beulah, Nebraska. At the first meeting of the year, we were faced by the fact that our Board was practically insolvent. We were $594.82 in debt and no funds in the treasury. The Board therefore, adjourned, not to meet again until after the funds for the Synodical year were all paid in. At our second meeting we had at our disposal, from all sources $2762.33, plus Liberty Bonds in the sum of $250. A grant of $1500 was made to the Superior Congregation, for the purpose of remodeling and practically rebuilding their former edifice. Chicago Congregation was granted $500 to aid in making much needed repairs. This left approximately $1,000 to meet an application from the Orlando Congregation for $20,000 and other requests which we expect will be laid before us formally in the near future.

The Board deemed that the $1,000 available would be of little use, under the present circumstances to the Orlando Congregation. Therefore the Board decided to bring before Synod this whole question of the extreme need of the Church Erection Board for funds with which to prosecute the work of keeping up the home base. Our work, as you know, has within recent years been extended to include the granting of aid in building new churches, the repairing of church buildings, the building of parsonages, and the repairing of parsonages. Orlando Congregation has made application for $20,000 to aid in building a much needed church in a new and promising field in the salubrious climate of the great Southeast of our country. Stafford Congregation has made inquiry as to the steps necessary to obtain $3,600 to free their parsonage of debt. That there will be more applications for aid in the near future, we feel quite certain. Your Board therefore, wishes to know whether or not Synod desires us to go on striving to build and keep up these home base churches; and if so, from what sources shall we receive the funds to do so?

We believe it would be a suicidal policy not to help to the fullest extent of our ability in the building of new churches and parsonages and the repairing of old ones. We therefore recommend:

First: That the money received from the sale of the St. Louis and West Hebron church buildings be turned into the treasury of the Church Erection Board.

Second: That hereafter when church buildings are sold and the money is at the disposal of Synod, the proceeds from such sales shall be turned into the treasury of the Church Erection Board, unless otherwise directed by Synod.

Thus the church and parsonage building program of our denomination will be encouraged, strengthened and perpetuated.

S. E. Greer was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod, and F. M. Foster to urge before Synod the adoption of the second recommendation.

The term for which Walter McCarroll, Samuel R. Boggs and S. E. Greer were elected, expires with this meeting of Synod and their successors should be elected. For your further information concerning the financial matters of the Board, we herewith submit the annual report of Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. GREER, Secretary.

H. G. Patterson read the report of the Board of Control. The filling of vacancies on the Board was referred to the Committee on Nominations. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

The Board of Control would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod your Board has held one regular meeting, at the home of W. G. Robb, Washington, Iowa, October 9, 1923. Mr. J. P. Baird was elected President; H. G. Patterson, Secretary, and W. G. Robb, Assistant Secretary.

A statement from the Treasurer of the church showed that there was at the disposal of the Board at the time the following amounts: For Ministerial Relief $6,143.30; for Widows and Orphans $3,121.92; for students $3,274.42.

Twenty-three applications for assistance came before the Board: nine from aged ministers, ten from widows and orphans, and four from students of theology. After careful consideration of all of these applications, appropriations were made in varying sums according to the needs of each, the totals aggregating from the

Ministerial Relief Fund	$3,445
Widows' and Orphans' Fund	$2,870
Students' Aid Fund	$1,600

The time for which W. G. Robb and W. J. Marshall were elected has expired and their successors should be elected at this meeting of Synod.

H. G. PATTERSON, Secretary.

W. J. Coleman, Chairman, submitted the report of the Witness Committee. Filling of vacancies on the Committee was referred to the Committee on Nominations. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE WITNESS COMMITTEE

The Witness Committee respectfully report that our work this last year has been carried on along the same general lines as heretofore. The conditions we have been meeting are the same, we have been urging the same truths on public attention and have been following the same method of agitation. We are still apparently far back in the educational stage and need not look for much in the way of practical results or present success. Our watchwords are patience and perseverance, our means are prayer based on the blood of Christ and the word of our testimony and our hope is in the sincerity of our Christian brethren and in the blessing of God.

We conduct our educational work along two lines: The dissemination of literature, chiefly to ministers, and the lectures given in Colleges and Seminaries. On the first of these lines we have this last year sent out letters to more than forty thousand ministers. This literature has been almost all on the proposed Christian Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. A copy of the Amendment with a circular letter in explanation and tracts advocating the claims of Christ as King of nations is sent to each.

Of the letters received from ministers opposing the Amendment more than half urge that it would be a union of church and state and quote the text, "My kingdom is not of this world." They seem to believe that all religion is to be confined to the church and that the state needs no religion at all, except indirectly through converted church members. They seem practically to place the state outside the moral government of God, and decidedly outside the spiritual kingdom of Christ. On the other hand many of the letters favoring the Amendment have a somewhat discouraged tone, as if the tide was against what they wish and the prospect hopeless. And if we trusted in the power of man, or in logic and persuasion, it is. But our trust is in the Lord of Hosts and in the power of his resurrection; from that standpoint nothing that is right and belongs to the coming of the kingdom is hopeless.

The other branch of our work is the lectures of James M. Coleman in Colleges. He reports that the year 1923-24 has been an unusual one in the work of witnessing. It started out in September with the canceling of engagements in a way that was discouraging and in a few weeks became one of unusual success. "The main hindrance," he says, "in making College dates is the crowded curriculum and as I have spent the last half of the year in seeing College work from the inside, the wonder increases that I am able to arrange for four chapel periods at all.

More than ever I realize that each opening is through the blessing of God and in answer to prayer. Every letter that

comes to me from Ireland tells me how the young people over there are praying for me and I believe that the whole work rests on faith in God."

During the first half of the year Mr. Coleman gave his course of lectures in whole or in part in thirteen Colleges and Seminaries, ten of which were in Ohio. The last semester of the year was spent in Greenville College, a Free Methodist institution in Greenville, Illinois, having about two hundred and fifty students. He had three classes a day there, one in Social Ethics and the others in related subjects, all elective and all well attended. He says, "While I may be influenced by the relief it is to me to settle down to class room work instead of the usual struggle with the principalities and the powers among the colleges I believe that with the opportunities that Greenville affords, this is the most hopeful in which I have been engaged. The religious basis for the word in the mind of the students is excellent. No one questions the Bible here. The ordinary College practices of card-playing, dancing and theatre-going are not even mentioned. The use of tobacco is forbidden to students, indeed, is forbidden to church members. I have not heard a profane word and slang is so unusual that it gets attention."

"The chief difficulty with the work in Greenville is that the students have never thought of religion except in an individual way. A number came to me when we talked about the kingdom to say that it was entirely new. Here is good soil on which to sow." The President of this College has written to the Committee proposing that Mr. Coleman's work there for one half of each year be made permanent.

Two important and very profitable fields are open for the enlargement of our work. One is the employment of an office secretary. There is need in the office for some one to answer promptly those who write in, some one who understands the principles of the Covenanter Church and can meet difficulties clearly and persuasively, who can give time to planning our work and stir up our ministers and members to do what they can for our principles. Openings for helpful correspondence constantly arise that are not being improved.

Then we should have some one to take the place of Mr. Coleman as a traveling lecturer and allow him to give his time to two Colleges, each a half year, where he can give nearly as much instruction along this line as has generally been given in our own College. If, with the time of one man, we can reach two institutions with the gospel of the kingdom, why not do it? Besides our present lecturer needs a more settled life and the cause needs a new man to be trained in this work.

The problem is how to provide funds for one or two new men. We cannot do it on what we get now and we have always sought to avoid a deficit. Should we go on, run in debt, and expect the Church to pull us out? That is one way of enlarging work and, maybe, not so bad a plan. It might get results.

Our receipts the past year were $5,649, our expenditures $5,934 and the balance on hand is $2,336. This balance came in

just at the close of the year and is the amount we have to run on for several months. We request $10,000 for the coming year and we can make an excellent use of all of it.

The term for which Robert Park, J. Boyd Tweed, James H. McBurney and James S. Tibby were elected has expired and their successors are to be chosen by this Synod.

The following recommendations are submitted:

1. That we continue to send out literature to the ministers of all denominations and to other influential persons as heretofore.
2. That the literature sent out contain a frank, full and, as far as possible, a persuasive presentation of the testimony of the Covenanter Church.
3. That James M. Coleman be chosen to lecture in Colleges and on the same terms as before.
4. That the Committee be authorized to employ additional workers.
5. That every pastor be urged to preach on each of our distinctive principles at least once a year and urge his people to take an active part in the distribution of literature.
6. That prayer be offered constantly for the prevailing power of our testimony and that every one be stirred up to do something for this cause on which he may ask God's blessing.

W. J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

The following resolution offered by R. J. G. McKnight was adopted:

That Synod invite Dr. W. J. Coleman to devote as much time as he may be able during the coming year to lecturing on our distinctive principles wherever the way may be open, and that his pulpit be supplied and his expenses paid out of the funds of the Witness Committee.

Synod adjourned to meet at 8:45 o'clock tomorrow morning, prayer by E. M. Elsey.

FRIDAY FORENOON.

WINONA LAKE, Friday, 8:45 a. m.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator and by him constituted with prayer. The roll was called. Devotional exercises were conducted by P. J. McDonald. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved. The Rev. John Hemphill of the Presbyterian Church of Canada was extended the courtesies of the floor and presented to the Court.

Papers were called for and the following were presented:

1. The report of the Woman's Association. The report was approved, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE R. P. WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION HAVING IN CHARGE "THE AGED PEOPLE'S HOME."

To the Moderator and Members of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The work in which your Board is engaged never ceases to be interesting; and the never ending variety of problems that present themselves to it for solution keep its members in humble consciousness that they are dependent upon Divine help for guidance in the carrying forward of the work in this branch of the service.

Another source of encouragement is the hearty co-operation of the church at large in contributing both money and provisions for the comfort and cheer of those who are spending the evening of life in the Home.

Our Donation and Reception Day is becoming a time for the meeting together of Covenanters and other friends who seldom meet at other times; and who show their appreciation of the opportunity thus afforded as well as their love for the Home by leaving with us substantial evidences in the form of money and groceries, farm products and preserved fruits; all of which are greatly appreciated, as well as the spirit that prompts the giving.

As in former years, several organizations connected with the churches in the vicinity have visited The Home and furnished entertainment that was a source of great pleasure to the members. At Halloween, Mrs. McKittrick entertained her flock by giving a party appropriate to that occasion.

The health of the members of the Home has been very good although four of the members have left us to live in The Home above. Miss Martha McCune of Allegheny congregation died April 18th, 1923; Miss Isabel Boggs, formerly of Youngstown congregation, died September 10, 1923; Mrs. Rachel Hays, of Morning Sun congregation, died November 25, 1923, and Miss Mary McCrum, January 11, 1924.

Our association was called upon to mourn the loss of Mrs. Mary McKee Morton, our first President, who departed this life November 8, 1923.

Although Mrs. Morton had attained a great age, notwithstanding a serious handicap on account of failing hearing, she never relaxed in her interest in the management of the Home, or the welfare of the members. Active to the end of her life, "She looked well to the ways of her household and ate not the bread of idleness."

Into the membership of The Home have been received the following members:

On November 3, 1923, of Little Beaver Congregation, Miss Esther Haggerty.

On November 14, 1923, of Pittsburgh Congregation, Miss Sarah G. Sproul.

On February 13, 1924, of Cincinnati Congregation, Miss Agnes Crawford admitted but not entered.

Our roll of Life Directors has been increased by the addition of Mrs. Florence B. O'Neil Tibby by Mrs. Henry O'Neil.

Mrs. S. M. Stewart was designated as a Life Member by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fisher.

Mr. Morton Lawrence Boyd by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Boyd.

Mr. John R. Gregg provided for an Honorary Membership for Mrs. Chas. A. Dickson, and Mr. Theodore See for Mrs. See.

Preaching services were conducted at The Home as heretofore, Rev. T. C. Sproull, Messrs. Cloyd Caskey and D. B. Russell, each favoring us with one discourse. Rev. C. A. Dodds and Drs. W. J. Coleman and T. H. Acheson each preached on two occasions.

The regular evening prayer meeting is conducted under the care of L. C. McWilliams with the assistance of neighboring Covenanters.

During the inclement weather, Rev. B. M. Sharp has contributed to the edification and pleasure of the members by conducting a class for the study of the Sabbath School Lessons on Sabbath afternoons.

The highly valued services of the physicians on the Medical Staff of the Home have been rendered with the same freedom and cheerfulness that has characterized that work in former years; and for which we are truly grateful.

The interesting Thanksgiving service this year was conducted by Dr. R. C. Wylie, senior professor in our seminary.

The Board desires to express its gratitude to Mrs. Annie McKittrick, our capable matron, whose constant care and splendid executive ability contributes so much to assist in the management of The Home. Respectfully submitted,

MRS. T. H. MARTIN, Secretary.

2. A letter from the Indian Mission requesting the re-opening of the Mission school was read and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

3. A fraternal letter from the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland was read and referred to the Moderator for answer.

4. A letter proposing action on the subject of war and accompanying documents were referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

COMMITTEES OF SYNOD.

Nominations—
J. B. Willson
J. M. Johnston
W. C. McClurkin
J. L. Patterson
J. T. Hensleigh

Finance—
F. E. Allen
H. G. Patterson
P. J. McDonald
James Moore
E. H. Buck

Foreign Missions—
J. R. W. Stevenson
G. R. Steele
D. R. Taggart
John Fee
F. A. Smith

Home Missions—
E. G. Russell
W. C. Allen
D. B. Martin
J. M. Milligan
Jno. A. Hemphill

Discipline—
W. J. McKnight
Robert Park
A. A. Wylie
W. W. Twinam
G. E. Aikin

Theological Seminary—
J. B. Gilmore
W. M. McNeel
J. K. Robb
T. L. Faris
J. F. Caskey

Geneva College—
T. C. McKnight
O. F. Thompson
F. F. Reade
Andrew Pollock
J. G. Forsythe

Supplies—
H. G. Foster
E. C. Mitchell
W. O. Ferguson
J. F. Caskey
Homer Sloop

National Reform—
E. A. Crooks
Walter McCarroll
E. K. Patton
J. W. Wylie
W. R. Cook

Time and Place of Meeting—
Boyd A. White
Thomas McFall
E. M. Elsey
J. W. Carson
David W. Park

Traveling Fund—
J. W. Anderson and
Financial Agents

COMMITTEES ON PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS.

Central Canada—
M. S. McMillan
W. O. Ferguson
Samuel Brown

Colorado—
A. W. Smith
D. B. Elsey
B. W. McMahan

Illinois—
J. C. Mathews
H. G. McConaughy
Edw. McBurney

Iowa—
S. F. Kingston
Chas. T. Carson
J. Ren Piper

Kansas—
M. R. Jameson
S. E. Greer
R. J. C. Dodds

New York—
Cloyd E. Caskey
W. A. Aikin
Yellowfish

Ohio—
David Calderwood
W. J. McBurney
I. R. Carithers

Pacific Coast—
C. A. Dodds
S. G. Conner
Malcolm McDonald

Philadelphia—
J. K. Gault
G. N. Greer
J. T. McKelvey

Pittsburgh—
J. M. Rutherford
Isaiah Faris
Albert Finley

Rochester—
J. T. Mitchell
W. J. Sanderson
J. M. Wallace

The report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary was read by the Secretary, J. B. Willson, and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary.

A change in the constitution of the Board of Superintendents of the Seminary proposed by R. J. G. McKnight was referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by the Chairman, M. K. Carson, and considered item by item. The filling of vacancies on the committee was referred to the Committee on Nominations. The report as adopted follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

It is a known fact in this country that the tobacco business is in the hands of a powerful organization called the "Tobacco Trust." Their purpose seems to be to put a cigarette in the hands of every man, woman, and child in the world. Judging from the fact that cigarettes are being used today more than ever before, it is quite evident that they are making considerable progress. This "Trust" keeps up a great educational campaign as witnessed in advertisements of the leading magazines, newspapers and bill boards over the country.

Wilbur F. Crafts, founder and superintendent of the International Reform Bureau said, "That during the Great War the Tobacco Trust launched a great war. It planned to capture for tobacco the markets of the world that had been taken from opium and alcohol. It made a nation wide appeal, for a soldier's tobacco fund in the name of charity and patriotism."

Christian people were misled. Our eyes were blinded. We were afraid to oppose this great movement, which was launched in the name of "Patriotism." As a result we are meeting the issue today in many of our congregations.

A questionnaire was sent out to the ministers of our church. From this questionnaire which represents about sixty congregations, we draw the following conclusions:

First, That young men in over half the congregations are acquiring the tobacco habit. This is serious. Most of the replies stated that the boys acquiring the habit were in High School or College. This makes the situation even more serious. These boys in our High Schools and Colleges will be our future leaders, yet these future leaders are acquiring the tobacco habit. What about our future elders and ministers? Surely it is time that the leaders of the church were aroused concerning this issue. A young man acquiring the tobacco habit during the High School days will not very likely be an applicant for the ministry. This is an alarming condition.

Second, That there are **no** tobacco users in about eighty per cent of our sessions. This is very encouraging. Our elders are beginning to see the sin of defiling their bodies by the use of tobacco. May it soon be true that there is not an elder in the church who is guilty of this sin.

Third, That ninety per cent of the congregations have some tobacco users. In some the number is very small. Others report that half the men in the congregation use tobacco. Can a tobacco using brother in the church say to the younger men, "be ye imitators together of me" even as I am of Christ? Would they dare infer that Jesus Christ would use tobacco? The committee is sorry that more congregations cannot set a better example in their communities.

Fourth. That comparatively few ministers were taking any Anti-Tobacco magazine. We are not criticizing the ministers, yet we feel that if we are to lead our people into the truth about this great question, that we must be enlightened on the subject ourselves. So the committee decided to send the "No Tobacco Educator" to these ministers. "Subscription rates to the Educator are one dollar a year for one copy, and twenty-five cents a year for each additional copy, to yourself or others." If you are not taking some anti-tobacco magazine and would like to have the Educator, give your name to some member of the Committee.

The Committee has been following about the same methods of former years. Literature on the Effects of Prohibition in this country and also literature on the tobacco question was sent to all the ministers of our Irish and Scotch Synods.

Much interest was manifested in the contest for the best Anti-Tobacco Advertisement. The winning advertisements will appear in the Christian Nation. All the advertisements indicated great interest in the subject.

The Committee feels that its great work is to lead the church to take definite action on this question. One brother in writing, says, "It makes one feel like seeking membership in a church

which does not trifle with it." Another brother in writing says, "I think the tobacco evil has reached the acute stage that calls for drastic legislation against it. The church ought of course to take an advanced stand now and not come trailing in a poor second behind public spirited voluntary organizations."

Anti-tobacco stickers and leaflets are furnished by the Committee. Material has been sent out this last year not only to our own members, but to others. Literature and postage will be furnished by the committee to all those who will send this anti-tobacco material to the boys in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades and High School. This will give work to the young people and create the right kind of public sentiment in the community on this question.

The temperance situation is in the public eye to such an extent, that it is hardly necessary to review it.

The results of Prohibition, in so far as the Eighteenth Amendment has been enforced have been very beneficial. Prohibition has been firmly fixed in the Constitution. There is strong evidence that it will not be nullified. But the question of "What shall be done with the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution has been transferred from the Legislative halls and is now before each community. It has been forced back on the popular sentiment for an answer." We must make prohibition an accepted fact in each community.

Therefore we recommend:

First, That each pastor be urged to preach on the Enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Second. That public meetings be held to arouse public sentiment in favor of law enforcement if deemed wise so that the officers may have the courage to perform their duty by enforcing the law.

Third, That pastors urge their young people to send out Anti-Tobacco literature to the young men and boys in their respective communities.

Fourth, That while we cannot under our present law require applicants for church membership, to refrain from the use of tobacco, yet we urge Sessions to impress upon candidates the sin of the tobacco habit.

Fifth, That we urge pastors to preach at least once a year on the tobacco question.

The term for which J. G. McElhinney and T. C. Weir were appointed has expired, and their successors should be chosen.

M. K. CARSON.

Mrs. Agnes E. Steele presented her report as Treasurer of the Woman's Association. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

J. S. Tibby's report as Treasurer of the Literary Fund was referred to the Committee on Finance. His report as Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform, and his

resignation of the office were referred to the Committee on National Reform.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken up item by item.

1. Committee on Digest of Deliverances of Synod. The committee submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON DIGEST OF DELIVERANCES OF SYNOD.

A considerable amount of work has been done on the Digest during the past year, but a good deal remains to be done. Other work often has the first claim upon our time and energies, so that it is impossible to take up this task and carry it through without interruption. The work has been retarded also by certain unforseen difficulties which have not yet been fully overcome. But the farther we proceed with the work the more convinced we are that the Digest, if prepared on proper principles, will be of great value to the church. Without fixing any date for its completion, we are safe in saying that it ought to be ready for adoption by the Synod of 1925.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE.
J. B. WILLSON.
J. T. MITCHELL.

J. T. Mitchell's resignation as a member of the committee was accepted, and the filling of the place referred to the Committee on Nominations.

2. Bringing history of ministry to date. The committee submitted the following report, which was adopted and the committee continued:

Your committee on Bringing the History of the Ministry to Date would respectfully report that the work has progressed very slowly during the past year and we recommend that a new committee be appointed. Signed,
OWEN F. THOMPSON.

3. Revised form Historical Part of Testimony. Item 6, Revision of certain Sections of the Testimony, was taken up in connection with Item 3. The Committee on Nominations was instructed to name a committee to report next year, which shall review the Testimony with a view to the incorporation of the revised form of the Historical Part, and the revision of the doctrinal Sections in a new edition, and to report on the advisability of publishing all the Standards of the church in a single volume.

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m., prayer by Elder J. M. Wallace.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Same Place, 2 p. m.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and was led in prayer by Elder J. T. Hensleigh. The roll was called. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

It was resolved that each Board applying to Synod for an appropriation shall include in its financial report a list of the salaries of its employees.

The Financial Agents of the Presbyteries were instructed to pay out no traveling expenses to delegates before Wednesday, except to those excused by Synod.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item 4. Fraternal delegates to Scotch and Irish Synods. Robert Clarke reported that none of the delegates arrived until after the meetings of these Synods.

Item 5. Two weeks' drive by the Temperance Committee and the Forward Movement Secretary. No report.

Item 6. Combined with Item 3.

Item 7. Transfer Suadea Mission Station. The Foreign Board reported the matter still pending, the delay being incident to the unsettled conditions in that region.

Item 8. Covenanter Soldiers' Colony. The committee reported. The report was approved and the committee discharged.

REPORT ON COVENANTER SOLDIERS' COLONY.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your committee, continued from last year, to investigate the possibility of the establishment of a Covenanter Soldiers' Colony in connection with proposed construction work to be done on the Colorado river, would respectfully report that during the past year the proposed project has been involved in litigation so that the matter has been in an undetermined state. Your committee therefore has been unable to take any action relative to the matter.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. AIKIN.
GEO. E. BERGEN.
R. S. McCLOY.

Item 9. Delegates to Pan-Presbyterian Council. R. C. Wylie submitted the report which was referred, with the accompanying correspondence, to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

Item 10. The clerk of the Mission Conference to write Chicago and Union congregations. Attended to.

Item 11. Publishing Book of Selections. The report was adopted and is as follows:

SELECTIONS FROM PSALTER.

The committee appointed to arrange a book of selections from the Psalter would respectfully report that 3,000 copies of this book have been published and the expense has been taken care of out of the Literary fund.

The committee has endeavored, in the present book, to arrange the selections in such a way as to assist young people, and others, in the service of song.

About half of the present edition has already been sold, and in the following edition, it is the hope of the committee that a more substantial binding can be used..

Respectfully submitted,
D. BRUCE MARTIN.
A. A. WYLIE.

Item 12. To carry out resolutions on Near East Relief. Attended to.

Item 13. To appoint Near East Relief Advisory Committee. Attended to.

Item 14. Transfer title of college funds. Referred to Committee on Geneva College.

Item 15. To secure change in College Charter. Attended to.

Item 16. Items 2, 3, 6, 7 in report of Committee on Geneva College. Included in report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College.

Item 17. Purchase of Seminary building. The report was adopted and is as follows:

PURCHASE OF SEMINARY BUILDING.

Your committee appointed to purchase a Seminary building would respectfully report that, after searching carefully throughout the city in the various districts, our attention was finally directed to the property at 7418 Penn Avenue, which has been known as the Durbin Horne property.

After weeks of negotiation we finally recommended to the Board of Trustees that this property be purchased. For the purchase price, $20,000 was available from the sale of the old Memorial Building, and $15,000 from the Hyslop estate.

The property was offered for $40,000, a price far below its real worth in the judgment of many. A majority of the committee felt that Synod would approve the purchase even though the price exceeds the limit set by $5,000.

Of this $5,000, we report that $2,734 has been contributed by private individuals, and Mr. J. F. Steele is on a note for $2,266, the balance still owing Mr. W. L. Stewart from whom the building was purchased.

We respectfully request that Synod ratify the purchase of the building at the price paid and instruct the Board of Trustees to pay the note of J. F. Steele to W. L. Stewart for $2,266, with interest for eight months, out of undivided funds in the hands of the Board.

ROBT. A. M. STEELE,
W. J. COLEMAN,
T. H. ACHESON,
JAS. F. STEELE,
R. M. YOUNG,
A. C. COULTER,
Committee.
R. C. WYLIE,
R. J. G. McKNIGHT,
Advisory members.

Item 18. To prepare certificates of licensure and ordination. Not yet attended to. The appointment was continued.

Item 19. Disposition of Selma school property. Included in the report of the Central Board.

Item 20. Synod's representative on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society. Reported attendance.

Item 21. To raise $25,000 for the Aged Ministers' Fund. The report was adopted and is as follows:

Report on effort to raise $25,000 for the Aged Ministers' Fund. Since the last meeting of Synod, $728.05 has been raised for the current account, and $837.65 for the endowment fund.

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. PATTERSON,
Secretary Board of Control.

Item 22. Deacons' share in administering finances. The report was submitted by D. W. Park and referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The report on Unfinished Business was laid on the table for the present.

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College was permanently divided.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was read by the Secretary and referred to the Committee

on Geneva College. J. S. Tibby was instructed to lay his report of the finances of the College before the Committee and to furnish it with all the information at his command.

Synod adjourned till 8:45 tomorrow morning. Prayer by J. T. Mitchell.

SATURDAY FORENOON.

WINONA LAKE, 8:45 a. m.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by D. C. Mathews. The alphabetic roll was called. Devotional exercises were conducted by W. M. Robb. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

A telegram of condolence was ordered sent to Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Russell, and Mr. and Mrs. George R. Thompson expressing the heartfelt sympathy of the Synod in the loss of their sons by drowning in the Beaver river.

Misses Anna Patton and Mary Curry, students of Geneva College, were presented to the Court, and were heard with great interest and appreciation as they spoke of the work at the College.

A paper presented by Walter McCarroll was referred to to the Committee on Discipline.

The committee on Nominations was directed to name one to write a letter of appreciation of his faithfulness to A. J. Khouri, and also to make a list of those to whom letters of sympathy should be sent and name the writers.

The report of the Covenanter members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association was read by R. W. Redpath and referred to the Committee on National Reform.

The report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was read by the Secretary, G. M. Robb, and referred to the Committee on Geneva College.

The reports of Presbyteries were called for. Those of Central Canada, Iowa, Kansas, New York, Ohio, Pacific Coast and Pittsburgh were approved and referred to the Committee on Supplies. Those of Colorado, Illinois, Philadelphia and Rochester were adopted without reference. The reports follow.

CENTRAL CANADA.

The Presbytery of Central Canada would respectfully report.

The Interim Commission held one meeting during the past year. On account of the extreme distances and the expense involved we have not been able to hold a regular meeting during the past year.

There are four congregations under our care and one minister on our roll. Jas. McCune is stated supply at Regina. Lake Reno and Delburne have been able to secure preaching only a small proportion of the year. On account of the death of Mr. Crawford but one elder was left at Regina, and the Interim Commission appointed two elders to act upon the session until the congregation could hold an election of elders.

F. E. Allen was appointed to attend the mission conference, as a member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College, and chairman of committee on supplies.

We request the time of two and one-half laborers for the coming year. Our statistical report was forwarded to the stated clerk, and our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
S. R. McKELVEY, Clerk.

COLORADO PRESBYTERY.

Colorado Presbytery would respectfully report:

We held one regular meeting and two special meetings during the year. We have three congregations under our care, all of which have settled pastors. We have three additional ministers on our roll: J. G. McElhinney, who at present is preaching in Ireland, having gone there with his family during the past Synodical year; H. B. McMillan, who is Missionary-Secretary of the American Sabbath School Union for Northern Colorado; and A. I. Robb, who is living at Van Nuys, California.

J. B. Gilmore is chairman of the Committee on Supplies.

C. T. Carson has been elected his own successor as a member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk. Our Traveling Fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. GILMORE, Clerk.

ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

Illinois Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held during the past year one regular meeting and two called meetings. In connection with the regular meeting we have an evening's Conference which has proved very helpful.

We have five congregations under our care, all of which have settled pastors.

Nine ministers are on our roll. Five are settled pastors in the Presbytery. S. F. Kingston is pastor of the Selma congregation which is under the care of the Central Board.

J. M. Coleman is engaged in Witness Work. W. M. Robb is on furlough. G. A. Edgar is not in the regular work at present on account of continued illness.

J. M. Coleman is the representative of the Presbytery on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

J. M. Wylie is our representative to the Mission Conference.

Owen F. Thompson was appointed to co-operate with the Secretary of the Forward Movement.

On the Co-Ordinating Committee we are represented by J. K. Robb of Princeton, James Moore of Bloomington and Mrs. R. H. Hayes of Sparta, representing the ministers, elders, and deacons.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time. Our Traveling Fund is paid in full.

GEO. M. ROBB, Clerk.

IOWA PRESBYTERY.

Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular meeting during the year and the Interim Commission has held two meetings. We have seven congregations under our care. Vernon is without a pastor. We have seven ministers on our roll of whom six are pastors and one is engaged in National Reform work.

Geo S. Coleman is chairman of our committee on supplies. We ask half the time of one worker.

Our traveling fund is paid in full. Our statistical report is complete and accounts for every member. It is a satisfaction to report this year an increase in membership.

GEO. S. COLEMAN, Clerk of Presbytery.

KANSAS PRESBYTERY

Kansas Presbytery held one regular meeting and two called meetings during the year. The Interim Commission attended to all other official work requiring attention during the same period.

We would report sixteen congregations on our roll, Tabor having been disorganized since last Synod. The two Missions, Irving Place and Minneola, are still under the Topeka and Stafford sessions respectvely.

Since last Synod the following were transferred to other Presbyteries: J. G. Reed to Pittsburgh, September 6, 1923; A. M. Thompson to New York; W. A. Aikin to Pacific Coast, January 7, 1924; and Paul Coleman was released at his own request from Long Branch congregation to accept a call to Kansas City, over which congregation he was installed pastor, December 7, 1923. Paul White was licensed at Winchester, May 1, 1923, and Cloyd E. Caskey was ordained as Missionary

at Sterling, October 17, 1923, and has since that time been in charge of the Indian Mission under the Central Board. J. D. Edgar was released at his own request from the pastorate of Olathe congregation, December 7, 1923, and is at present in California. This change was made necessary for sake of health.

We have now twenty-one ministers on our roll. Three of these are on the Mission field, and one in our Forward Movement work.

The time of J. W. Dill, Isaiah Faris and G. R. McBurney is at the disposal of Synod.

D. H. Elliott is Chairman of the Committee of Supplies.

We have four vacant congregations: Olathe, Blanchard, Stafford, and Billings.

J. R. W. Stevenson, Homer Sloop and J. W. Carson are our representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee, and G. R. Steele our delegate to the Mission Conference. M. S. McMillan is Presbytery's Financial Agent. Our traveling fund is complete. A. W. Smith has the privilege of making his own arrangements for work during the year. We ask for the time of two men. S. EDGAR, Clerk of Presbytery.

NEW YORK.

New York Presbytery respectfully reports:

We have during the past year held one regular meeting. Of our fourteen Congregations, Barnesville is a Mission Station and Hebron is disorganized. Of our fifteen ministers, one is a missionary to China and one is retired.

On October 30, 1923, Dr. David W. Park of 2nd. New York was taken under the care of Presbytery as a student of Theology. David B. Russell completed his course in Theology this year.

Interim Commission November 15, 1923, installed A. Melville Thompson as pastor of Bovina, New York, congregation.

On May 13, 1924, R. J. Dodds, at his own request was released from the pastorate at Coldenham, New York and his full time is at the disposal of Synod. On May 13, William M. Doig was licensed to preach the gospel and his full time after May 1, 1925, is at the disposal of Synod.

W. J. McKnight was reappointed as member of the Board of Corporators. One half time of one man is asked for.

J. H. Pritchard is Committee of Supplies.

Our statistical report has been duly forwarded and our traveling fund paid. Our young people co-operate loyally with the Tri-Presbyterial of which J. H. Pritchard is executive secretary.

First and Second Boston and Montclair have no church building.

The call made by Utica Congregation was presented to David B. Russell at the meeting of Synod at Winona Lake, June 7, 1924, and accepted and he was transferred to Ohio Presbytery. Respectfully submitted,

D. B. ELSEY, Clerk.

OHIO.

Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held during the year one regular meeting, business of present importance was cared for by the Adinterim Commission.

There are in our Presbytery ten congregations and one mission station.

On November 14, 1923, J. C. Mathews was ordained and installed pastor of Southfield Congregation. On January 15, 1924, T. C. McKnight was installed as pastor of the United pastorate of New Concord and Jonathans Creek Congregations.

Our "Y. P. C. U." held its conference immediately following the regular meeting of Presbytery in Northwood, August 28, 1923

Our statistical report was prepared and duly forwarded. A call is pending from the congregation of Utica on D. B. Russell, leaving only the Congregation of Ray and the Mission Station of Cedarville vacant.

The time of one laborer is requested. The time of W. S. Fulton is at the disposal of Synod's Committee of Supplies.

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. FOSTER, Clerk.

PACIFIC COAST.

The Pacific Coast Presbytery would respectfully report:

One regular meeting was held during the year at the Pacific Pallisades in connection with the Young People's Convention and the Women's Presbyterial of Southern California.

The Interim Commission has held meetings during the year and transacted necessary business. W. A. Aikin was received by certificate from Kansas Presbytery.

Of our six congregations, three are without settled pastors.

There are six ministers on our roll. We express our gratitude to God for his favor shown to F. D. Frazer and we record with inexpressible sadness the loss to our Presbytery of our able and beloved Dr. A. A. Samson.

G. N. Greer is Chairman of our Committee on Supplies.

T. L. Faris has been appointed Presbytery's Financial Agent.

Pacific Coast requests the time of one laborer.

Respectfully submitted,
M. R. JAMESON, Clerk.

PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia Presbytery would respectfully report:

During the past year we have held five meetings of Presbytery. We wish to thank God for the prosperous year we have had, both as to the ingathering of souls, and to the financial blessing of "going over the top" with the budget as a Pres-

bytery. The accuracy of the membership of the Congregations of the Philadelphia Presbytery was examined and approved.

The Congregations of the Philadelphia Presbytery, the First, Second, and Third Philadelphia, and Orlando, Florida, all have settled pastors. We have five ministers, four in settled pastorates, and one president of Geneva College. We have one licentiate, W. W. Weir, who is a missionary in Larnaca, Cyprus.

FRANK L. STEWART, Clerk.

PITTSBURGH.

Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report:

That since our last report we have held two Synod and two regular sessions. Our Interim Commission on Calls has held three meetings.

Presbytery has enjoyed for the most part a prosperous year in all its activities. All our congregations have had pastors during the year but two, Slippery Rock and Bear Run-Mahoning. These congregations each made out a call only to have same declined. During this Synod, June 7, 1924, the pastoral relationship of S. G. Conner and the Millers Run congregation was dissolved upon request of the pastor. The congregation reluctantly acquiesced in same. This terminates thirty-five years of faithful service.

New records have been made by Presbytery in the following lines of activity. Sabbath School enrollment shows a net increase over the preceding year of 21; Young People's enrollment stands 169 above that of the year before. Six congregations have two or more Sabbath School organizations. A new Young People's organization is reported at North Union Mission Station.

The total gifts of Presbytery's congregations to all causes stands at $113,113. This exceeds the year preceding by $12,338. It also makes this the banner year for Presbytery as it goes above the high water mark of 1919-1920 by $9,924. The average per member for giving throughout the Presbytery is $65.25.

Three congregations report their per member gifts as being over $100: Parnassus $121.14, Pittsburgh $105.15, and Syrian $101.35. Allegheny is close to this mark with $98.71. Our total communicant membership is 1733, a net decrease of 15 when compared with the year preceding.

We have twenty-three congregations under our care, and one mission station. This is one mission station less than last reported due to the certification of the remaining members of the Adamsville Station to other congregations.

Thirty-nine ministers are on our roll, and one licentiate. J. G. Reed came to us upon regular certification from Kansas Presbytery, October 16, 1923, when on the same date he was installed pastor over the Little Beaver Congregation. In accord with Synod's action, Winona Lake 1923, the name of J. F. Crozier was replaced upon our roll. A decrease is reported in the death of T. J. Allen, January 18, 1924, Beaver Falls,

Pennsylvania. Twenty-one have pastoral charges. Four are accredited to Geneva College, two to the Seminary, two to Home Missions, two to National Reform, six are retired from active service, and two are employed in secular pursuits.

Paul D. McCracken of the Geneva Congregation was taken under Presbytery's care as a student of theology of the first year. Mr. McCracken was born and reared in the bounds of the lately disorganized Adamsville-Middletown Congregation. He comes from a most devoted Covenanter home. He is a graduate of Geneva of the class of 1922.

R. C. Reed is Moderator of Presbytery's Interim Commission on calls. F. F. Reade is Home Mission Secretary. E. L. McKnight is Superintendent of Young People's Work. Anthony Khouri, T. H. Acheson, Alternate; Elder, Oliver Wylie; Elder, O. C. Orr, Alternate; W. J. Ward, Deacon (or Trustee), were appointed as members of Synod's Committee on Budget. F. F. Reade, E. L. McKnight, R. A. M. Steele were appointed delegates to the Mission Conference. R. J. G. McKnight was elected his own successor for a term of three years on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College, and said election was duly certified to same.

The time of J. C. McFeeters and S. G. Conner, is at your disposal. We can use the full time of two men.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time.

Our Traveling Fund is paid in full.

R. A. M. Steele is Presbytery's Financial Agent.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. REDPATH, Clerk.

ROCHESTER.

Rochester Presbytery would respectfully report:

That we have held one regular and one special meeting during the year. There are five congregations under our care. There are six ministers in the Presbytery, four of whom are settled pastors.

William McFarland is unable to perform the functions of his office on account of his age.

J. M. Rutherford was appointed to represent Presbytery at the Mission Conference, A. A. Wylie and an Elder of Syracuse Congregation on the Co-ordinating Committee. W. J. Sanderson was appointed as the representative of the Presbytery on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. Licentiate David Russell supplied at Lisbon from June 17 to August 5 inclusive. W. J. McKnight, during his vacation in August and September, ministered to the Lisbon people.

Our statistical report was forwarded in time. Our traveling fund is in full.

J. M. Rutherford is chairman of supplies.

J. M. RUTHERFORD, Clerk.

Questions submitted by R. C. Wylie were referred to the Committee on Discipline.

A paper presented by Philadelphia Presbytery was referred to the Committee on Nominations to name the Judicial Commission requested.

Synod adjourned to meet at 8:45 Monday morning. Prayer by W. M. McNeel.

MONDAY FORENOON.

WINONA LAKE, June 9, 8:45 a. m.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The roll was called. Devotional exercises were conducted by M. M. Pearce. The minutes of the Saturday forenoon session were read and approved. A. Kilpatrick, J. G. Forsythe, W. T. K. Thompson and S. G. Conner, who were called home since the adjournment on Saturday, were excused.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Devotional Exercises—

J. T. Mitchell
W. O. Ferguson
Samuel Edgar
Yellowfish
J. C. Peoples

Sabbath Schools—

J. S. Stewart
R. A. Blair
J. B. Tweed
Oliver Wylie
David C. Park

Signs of the Times—

M. R. Jameson
S. E. Greer
J. S. Martin
J. E. Huheey
R. A. M. Steele

Conference on Secret Societies—

W. J. Sanderson
G. N. Greer
R. C. Reed
J. R. Dill
O. L. Samson

Psalmody—

J. G. Reed
Robert Clarke
J. R. Latimer
Joseph Fleming
David W. Park, M. D.

Unfinished Business—

The Clerks

A resolution by F. M. Wilson suggesting the purchase

of Psalters for the use of Synod was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The item of expense in sending telegrams of sympathy was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The courtesies of the floor were extended to Dr. C. C. Kyle of the United Presbyterian Church.

The report of the Co-ordinating Committee was presented by its Secretary, M. R. Jameson, and was taken up item by item. The question as to bequests in Item 11, was referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations. The report as adopted is as follows:

CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Co-ordinating Committee would respectfully report:

The committee met at the call of the General Secretary of the Forward Movement at Winona Lake, on Wednesday, June 4, 1924, at 10:00 a. m. The members of the Committee according to the action of Synod are:

Colorado—D. Calderwood.
Illinois—J. K. Robb, Jas. Moore, Mrs. R. H. Hayes.
Iowa—I. R. Carithers, W. E. Wilson.
Kansas—J. R. W. Stevenson, H. Sloop, J. W. Carson.
Ohio—E. M. Elsey, Jas. Keys.
Pacific Coast—M. R. Jameson, T. L. Faris.
Philadelphia—F. L. Stewart, J. R. Dill.
New York—T. M. Slater.
Pittsburgh—T. H. Acheson, O. C. Orr, W. J. Ward.
Rochester—A. A. Wylie, D. C. Park.

The following departments were represented by the following:

Church Erection—Walter McCarroll.
Foreign Missions—Walter McCarroll.
Witness Committee—W. J. Coleman.
Theological Seminary—W. J. Coleman.
Central Board—R. C. Reed.
Board of Trustees—J. S. Tibby.
Evangelistic Committee—E. K. Patton.
Geneva College—R. A. Blair.
Board of Control—H. G. Patterson.
Jewish Mission—F. L. Stewart.
Temperance Committee—M. K. Carson.
Women's Association—Mrs. Agnes Steele.

We recommend:

1. That Synod adopt for the ensuing year a budget of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000).

2. That said budget be apportioned to the schemes of the church as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 45,000.00
Southern Mission	8,500.00
Home Missions	8,500.00
Indian Mission	6,000.00
Witness Committee	6,000.00
Geneva College	17,500.00
Theological Seminary	2,000.00
Memorial Building	1,000.00
Widows and orphans	500.00
Jewish Mission	3,000.00
Evangelistic Committee	1,000.00
Aged People's Home	1,000.00
	$100,000.00

3. That the apportionment to the Presbyteries be as follows:

Central Canada	$ 550.00
Colorado	4,300.00
Illinois	5,700.00
Iowa	6,800.00
Kansas	17,100.00
New York	12,850.00
Ohio	4,800.00
Philadelphia	9,300.00
Pacific Coast	5,200.00
Pittsburgh	30,100.00
Rochester	3,300.00
	$100,000.00

4. That the Forward Movement Secretary be instructed to prepare a church calendar designating the Sabbaths for discussion, from the pulpit, of the various causes represented in the appropriations of the Co-ordinating Committee, and the various Boards and Committees having the work under their control, furnish the ministers with informational material along the lines of the work in their charge, to be used in connection with the preparation of their sermons.

5. That the Treasurers of the various congregations be urged to send to the Synod's Treasurer, bi-monthly, all funds available for the Budget.

6. That no allowance be made for sustentation to any field where definite mission work is not being attempted.

7. That the contract with the Christian Nation for the past year, be renewed on the same basis for the current year. In accordance with the agreement of last year, Mr. Pritchard submitted the following statement:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CHRISTIAN NATION.

April 1, 1923—April 1, 1924.

Receipts.

Subscriptions		$3,825.72	
Advertising			
Church	$5,000.00		
General	1,815.91	6,815.91	
			$10,641.63

Disbursements.

Rent	647.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	98.09	
Postage	272.47	
Salaries and Office Help	1,656.26	
Expenses	74.37	
Paper for Printing C. N.	818.89	
Printing C. N.	5,018.78	
Electros	72.77	
Advertising Commissions	615.84	
Traveling Expenses	265.73	
Office Sundries	387.60	
Interest	655.65	
		$10,583.45
Balance		$ 58.18

8. That Synod direct the use of the Fleissner and Heslip bequests to the Aged People's Home to be used in the current account.

9. That Synod declare that the total real budget, local and general, of the Covenanter Church is the people's tithes and offerings, and that congregations have not done their part before Jesus Christ till these are paid.

10. That Synod declare a policy of bringing appropriations for Home and Foreign Missions to an equality in the next five years, and that Home Missions be considered to include Domestic, Indian, Jewish, and Southern Missions.

11. The Committee submits the following question: Is there some practical plan by which bequests left to any department of the church's work, but undesignated as to endowment or current funds, may become immediately available for use and not need to wait for disposition until the next meeting of Synod?

D. H. ELLIOTT, Chairman.
M. R. JAMESON, Clerk.

A resolution offered by Geo. S. Coleman as to equalizing the appropriations to Home and Foreign Missions was referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

The report of the Mission Conference was submitted by its Clerk, J. B. Willson, and taken up item by item.

The Clerk of the Mission Conference and the Forward Movement Secretary were instructed to correspond with the people at Delburne as to the feasiblity of moving into the bounds of another congregation. The report as adopted is as follows:

REPORT OF MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Mission Conference of the Reformed Presbyterian Church met at Winona Lake, Indiana, June 4, 1924, at 10:00 a. m., one day later than the time appointed, because of the postponement of Synod's meeting one day. E. L. McKnight, President of the Board of Home Missions and Sustentation, called the meeting to order and led in prayer.

E. L. McKnight was elected Chairman, J. B. Willson, Clerk, and F. F. Reade, Assistant Clerk.

All the Presbyteries were represented at one or more of the meetings, but the Board of Home Missions was but poorly represented.

Thirty-two congregations presented requests for aid, and thirty-one were voted aid, one more than last year. Two were removed from the list, one because of discouraging prospects for preaching, and three were added. Three congregations were granted last year a larger appropriation than was required to bring the salary up to the minimum set by Synod. This action was changed this year, and the appropriations were cut down to bring the salary to the minimum. This removed one congregation from the list.

The following appropriations are recommended for the coming year:

Central Canada Presbytery—

Delburne—as much as they raise, up to $260.
Lake Reno—$500 for pastor, or stated supply.
Regina—$1,100 for pastor, or stated supply.
Winnipeg—$1,000.

Iowa Presbytery—

Washington—$900.

Kansas Presbytery—

Billings—$10 a Sabbath to the amount of $200.
Eskridge—$200.
Stafford—$500 for stated supply.

New York Presbytery—

Coldenham—$500 for pastor; or $300 for supplies.
Cornwallis—$800.
Montclair—$800.
White Lake—$600.

Ohio Presbytery—

Bellefontaine—$900.
Belle Center—$625.

Cedarville—$10 a Sabbath to the amount of $320.
Cincinnati—$600.
Hetherton—$700. Because of local financial difficulty.
Ray—$150.
Utica—$400.

Pacific Coast Presbytery—

Fresno—$700, making full salary for 6 months. In case at the close of this period, the prospects seem favorable, the Board of Home Missions will make an adjustment.
Hemet—$700 for pastor, or stated supply.
Portland—$1,200 for pastor, or stated supply.

Philadelphia Presbytery—

Orlando—$600.

Pittsburgh Presbytery—

Bear Run and Mahoning—$250.
North Union—$800, if they raise $600.
Syrian—$1,350.
Rehoboth—$700.
Slippery Rock—$360 for pastor, or stated supply; or $5 a day for supplies.
Union—$1,000. Any amount paid by Pine Creek is to be subtracted from this supplement.
Youngstown—$700.

Rochester Presbytery—

Lochiel—$800.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Presbyteries appoint to Mission Conference the men who have visited the congregations requesting aid.
2. That Presbyteries be urged to recognize their full responsibility in caring for vacant congregations.
3. That Ohio Presbytery be requested to make arrangements whereby the pastor at Bellefontaine shall minister to Cedarville congregation.
4. That all congregations be urged to pay salaries monthly. The Clerk was directed to write a letter to all aid-receiving congregations on this subject.
5. That we adopt the following policy: While we intend to do something for every Covenanter, we counsel a policy of concentration, in which people making a move will go to a place where a congregation is already established. We express the hope that no new congregation will be started without the approval of Presbytery or Synod. Where congregations are small, and there seems to be no reasonable prospect of growth, the people are counselled to move into the bounds of another congregation.
6. That Synod declare a policy, to be in effect by 1927, of setting salaries according to a 1924 money value basis of $1,400 and house or rent for a house, this amount to be changed by the Mission Conference up or down in 1927 and thereafter ac-

cording to the index figure of the U. S. Department of Labor for general price level, for the previous twelve months.

7. That those congregations that depend wholly on supplies shall use up the amount of their own subscriptions before they receive aid from the church, but that Synod's Treasurer be instructed to loan funds, when necessary, to meet the preaching expenses during the first part of the year.

Respectfully submitted,
E. L. McKNIGHT, Chairman.
J. B. WILLSON, Clerk.

The following recommendation was adopted by Synod: That congregations now paying only the minimum salary take under consideration the possibility of adding $100 to the pastor's salary.

The retiring Moderator's sermon was requested for publication.

The naming of the Moderator's alternate to preach the sermon at the opening of next Synod was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Synodical collection taken on Sabbath amounted to $71.00.

Expenses in connection with the postponing of Synod were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m. Prayer by elder James Moore.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Same Place, 2:00 p. m.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by elder I. R. Carithers. The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Alonzo E. Wilson, representing the Near East Relief, addressed the Court on behalf of that work.

M. M. Pearce presented an invitation for the Synod to meet next year at Geneva College. The invitation was seconded by all the Beaver Falls pastors. It was referred to the Committee on Time and Place of Meeting.

A proposition by Robert Clarke to provide Psalters for the College Chapel was adopted and the purchase of 150 copies was ordered from the Literary Fund.

Proposed Near East Relief resolutions were referred to the Committee on Finance.

J. M. Foster presented a paper on Greek Church Baptism which was referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The Secretary of the Forward Movement and Young People's Work submitted his annual report, which was taken up item by item. In connection with item 4, T. M. Slater led the Synod in prayer for the young people of the church. In accord with item 5, the Chairman of the Evangelistic Committee led the Synod in a fifteen minute conference on the subject of Evangelism. As directed by item 6, the Moderator led Synod in prayer that the church might be purged of worldliness. Synod resolved to continue the Forward Movement, with D. H. Elliott as Secretary for a period of five years. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

FORWARD MOVEMENT SECRETARY'S REPORT.

1923-1924.

We take pleasure in presenting our fifth annual report. It covers a wide field of physical activity. We regret that these material efforts have not been accompanied with greater evidences of Christ's power. Keeping in mind that the greatest problems in any church are spiritual and that no plans or organizations are effective unless vitalized by the Spirit, the following program was submitted to the Church as a guide to our thinking and praying.

Program.

August—Our Young People. This was suggested by the Summer Conferences and Conventions.
September—Our School Problems, stressing the value of Christian Education.
October, November, December,—Revival Season.
January—Prayer Culture.
February—Bible Nutrition.
March—Stewardship Development.
April—Brotherly Love.
May—Christian Homes.

Office.

The work of the Office has consisted in correspondence, preparing and distributing literature and in formulating and carrying out plans considered helpful to the cause. About 1,700 letters were mailed. Ten different publications were prepared and circulated, seven of which were distributed free. The Office is being used more and more by the Church. Requests come in from all ages and classes of people for all kinds of information. A careful reply is given to every request.

Miss Mary McFarland continues to act as office secretary.

In the Field.

Your Secretary reached fifteen congregations in person and ministered to some of these on several occasions. He delivered 132 sermons and addresses, speaking on an average of twice every week and 28 times besides. Some of the congregations visited are small and discouraged and in need of special attention. It is our conviction that the policy of the Church should be concentration rather than expansion; that we should endeavor to gather the scattered little bands into the stronger centers, rather than to organize new bands and establish new centers; that we should decrease the stations which we cannot man, rather than multiply stations and leave them stranded.

Literature.

Among the publications of the year was the mid-week prayer meeting topics, which were prepared at the office and distributed to the sixty-four congregations that use them. Another was a booklet entitled "Boyd Walker, the Elder." These were mailed personally to 338 elders and sent out in numbers deemed sufficient to place one in every home. This little message to our elders brought many appreciative comments in reply. One elder in replying said he thought it was time now to write one for preachers.

The little book "Praying Hyde" was sent to 124 ministers and missionaries. This was made possible by a gift from one of the members of this Synod.

A little plan was started by which a good book may be shared with others. A list of names was written in the back and each is to send the book on to the next until it finally returns to the sender. We commend this plan to any one who has a good book to share.

One publication needed in the Covenanter Church is a Sabbath School paper for children. Any one who has carefully examined the papers supplied as Sabbath reading in most of our Sabbath Schools has seen how far these come short of the Covenanter conception of what such literature should be. Would it not be profitable for the Church to provide a Sabbath School paper to meet the needs at this impressionable age?

Christian Nation.

The columns of the Christian Nation have always been open to our work. We supplied thirty pages of material during the year. The Forward Movement has lost a loyal friend in the death of Editor John W. Pritchard. It would have been difficult to carry on the work without his whole hearted co-operation.

Evangelism.

The number of congregations holding special meetings is growing each year. Some congregations increased the number of meetings preparatory to Communion. Others held services from one to two weeks duration. The Secretary helped in nine different series of meetings, each culminating in Communion. A number of other ministers did extensive work in this field. Special mention should be made of revival services held in

Geneva College by W. M. Robb with the assistance of R. A. Blair, at which many students either declared themselves for Christ or renewed their allegiance to Him.

We co-operated with the Evangelistic Committee through the year and the clerical force of the office was ever at its service. This Committee, which has the correspondence and data in its hands, should be heard from in connection with this item. We believe the Evangelistic Committee should report every year instead of every two years as at present.

Young People's Work.

The Young People's Conferences and Conventions continue to grow in numbers and interest. We attended the Convention of Illinois at Bloomington, Ind., and the Joint Convention of Kansas and Iowa at Blanchard, Iowa, delivering five addresses and meeting in conference with committees. The Rose Point and White Lake Conferences are increasing in popularity. The other Conventions reported good attendance and programs. We have been working with the officers of the various Presbyterials in arranging programs for their gatherings next August.

The different Presbyterials are to vote this year on whether they favor a national Convention to be held at Winona Lake, Ind., in 1928.

Our great concern is that the growing interest in these annual gatherings may not be interest merely in the recreational features they afford. These must be made the means to an end. The end to be kept ever in mind is that of moulding and quickening our young people for Christ and helping them to enter into His plan for their life. The conference fails to the extent that it fails in pressing toward this great spiritual objective.

Seventy-five dollars were placed in our hands to be used for prizes in contest work. Two contests were carried out and one other is under way. The first was a "Call to Service" Contest, conducted in all the Conferences and Conventions last August. The three winning papers on this subject in each Presbyterial were sent to the Forward Movement Office. These were submitted to judges and twenty-five dollars in prizes were awarded to the first three. The winning papers were published in the Christian Nation.

The second was a Book Review Contest. The aim in this was to stimulate good reading among our young people. So much abominable literature is finding its way into our homes. A book was chosen and the young people requested to read it. They submitted brief reviews of the book and twenty-five dollars in prizes were awarded to the three adjudged the best. The winning reviews were published in the Christian Nation.

The Contest now under way is called a "Soul Winning Letter Contest." The object is to impress upon our young people the importance of making their letter writing count for Christ. The details of this have been published and will be carried out in the Conferences and Conventions this summer.

We have a correspondent in each Young People's Society and in this way try to link up each Society with our Forward

Movement Work. We have tried to keep in touch with young men who might be available for the ministry.

We published the Topic Cards for fifty-nine Societies, containing the list of their officers, committees and leaders for the year.

The Topics used were the regular Christian Endeavor Topics with a number of substitutions designed to meet the needs of our Church.

The Covenanter Church has a promising band of young people. Will they be kept and used for Christ and the Church?

Stewardship.

Immediately after last Synod posters were sent to each congregation stating Synod's Budget, the Presbytery's budget and the budget apportioned to it by the Presbytery. Leaflets on the new Budget were also published and distributed throughout the Church. Every Member Canvass Cards were printed and sent to all congregations who desired them. Letters were sent to all the deacon boards relative to the Every Member Canvass. We held a personal conference with the deacon board in a number of congregations. A Budget table of all the contributions of each congregation to the Budget was compiled and published every two months in the Christian Nation. During the latter part of the year it was published each month. Late in the year 5,700 leaflets showing the financial needs were distributed through the Church. Letters were written to 245 members out of bounds, soliciting their co-operation. We do not know how great a response this brought. We do know of one who responded with $50.00 to the Forward Movement Office for the budget.

The final returns show 78 per cent of our Budget raised. It has been a very lean year financially in many of our congregations. We praise the Heavenly Father for the generous response made by so many. There is one thing here we need to remedy and that is the tendency to neglect the Budget until the last few weeks of the year. Nearly as much was contributed during the last two months as in the preceding ten. Why not distribute the load over the year instead of trying to pull it all at the end! Could not this condition be remedied if pastors and financial boards would hold the matter before their people from the beginning? Less than five cents per member a day would have raised our Budget in full.

There are some advantages of a congregation working on a single budget which is made up of the home expenses plus their share of the Budget of Synod. We would like Synod to express an opinion on this. If it is deemed advisable we would then secure and print on the poster the total amount each congregation needs to raise during the year.

A tract was published entitled "The Deacon Meeting at Covenant Ridge." This was mailed separately to 339 deacons and a supply was sent for distribution in each congregation.

Pre-Synodic Conference.

The third Pre-synodic Conference was held immediately

preceding this Synod. The program covered seven days. The first period each day was given to worship. The second was spent in Bible study in which we were led by W. M. Robb through Paul's letter to the Philippians. The third was the minister's clinic, at which our shortcomings and needs were freely considered.

There were three periods each evening. The first was given to praise, the second to a series of discussions on health by W. J. Coleman and the third to Vesper Heart searchings. The usual Sabbath services were held with an afternoon meeting for praise and prayer.

Thirty-five persons attended all or part of these services. Thirty-one had assignments on the program. These Conferences are growing in helpfulness year by year. The yearly regret among those who attend is that so many members of Synod are missing this inspiration.

Expense Account.

The expenses of the office and of travel from March 31st to March 31st were	1,088.51
The receipts were	1,110.00
Leaving a balance of	$ 21.49

The office therefore paid its own way, met all its clerical expenses, furnished seven publications free to the Church, paid all traveling expenses and turned in to the treasury $21.49 besides.

$33.30 was received for the French Carithers Memorial Fund and forwarded to Treasurer Jos. M. Steele.

Spiritual Life

The spiritual life of the Covenanter Church is far too low. What we need most is not more members but the power of God in the members that we have. Are we as concerned about holy living as we are about our numbers? After all, where does real power lie—in the size of the church or in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit? Are we concerned about the indifference to Sabbath keeping among many of our people? Does it trouble us that a large number of our men and boys are addicted to tobacco? Does it make any great difference that in nearly every congregation there are members that are regular patrons at the movies and perhaps on friendly terms with the cards and the dance? Are we making any advance in our demands for Christian living?

In how many of our congregations is there the rankling of unforgiveness? What proportion of our members are diligent in intercessory prayer? How many take time for daily meditation on the Word of God? How many of us are talking for Christ among our neighbors and friends? Are our weekly prayer meetings a drudge or a dynamo? Are we, as ministers, spiritually in advance of the people we are seeking to lift.

These things are only symptoms of disease. Is it not the disease of worldliness? Are we not in danger of letting a

high standard of doctrine make up for a low standard of life? Can principles ascend against a flood tide of worldly loves? We are holding our principles of faith, but are our principles of faith holding us? If principles are true and held in Christian devotion, will they not burst forth with the fruit of holiness in the lives that hold them?

The first of next September will mark the completion of five years of service as Secretary of this work. As the Forward Movement was first undertaken on a five year basis it is fitting that Synod should now express its wish for the future. If it seems wise to discontinue the work, your Secretary's resignation is at hand.

We express our gratitude to God for His gracious care and leading during these years. We are thankful to the Synod and the Church for their kindly support and hearty co-operation. Our one regret is that the accomplishments are so far short of what we had hoped to attain.

We would recommend:

1. That the Committee on Sabbath Schools for next year be instructed to report on the feasibility of the Church publishing a children's paper for use in the Sabbath School.

2. That Synod state whether if desires us to submit to congregations a single budget composed of local expenses plus their share of Synod's Budget, or, as heretofore, their share of Synod's Budget alone.

3. That pastors, elders and deacons be requested to present the new Budget to their congregations as soon as possible and urge that contributions begin now and be distributed throughout the year instead of waiting until the close.

4. That Synod now unite in prayer in behalf of our young people, remembering the summer Conferences, praying for more laborers for the harvest and that all our youth might be kept for Christ and His Church.

5. That the Evangelistic Committee be instructed to report each year to Synod instead of each alternate year. And that the Evangelistic Committee now lead the Synod in a fifteen minute discussion on the subject of Evangelism.

6. That the Moderator lead the Synod in prayer, pleading that the sin of worldliness might be confessed and purged from the Church.

7. That Synod state whether or not it proposes to continue our Forward Movement Work.

Respectfully submitted,
DELBER H. ELLIOTT.

Item 23 of Unfinished Business was taken up for consideration. The rotary plan of electing elders and deacons. The proposition to adopt the plan was lost.

Synod took recess until 7:45 p. m. Prayer by elder T. L. Faris.

MONDAY EVENING.

Same place, 7:45 p. m.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by elder John L. Patterson. The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

A paper from the Session of Clarinda congregation, regularly transferred by Kansas Presbytery, was referred to the Judicial Commission appointed to act on the paper from Philadelphia Presbytery.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item 24. Printing and sale 1923 Minutes. J. S. Tibby submitted the report which was adopted, and is as follows:

Printing and Sale of 1923 Minutes of Synod.

Twelve hundred copies of the Minutes of the 1923 Synod were printed by the Morning Sun News-Herald of Morning Sun, Iowa.

902 copies were sold at fifty cents a copy	$451.00
9 free copies were distributed.	
911	

Cost of printing	$526.80	
Freight and expressage	13.01	
Postage	31.99	
Envelopes	2.25	
Cut and photo of Moderator	5.55	
Service Synod's Clerk in editing	100.00	
		679.60
Deficit		$228.60

We recommend that one thousand copies be printed this year. JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Item 25. Uniting Belle Center, Bellefontaine and Northwood congregations.

The report as submitted by J. M. Wylie, Chairman, was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF SYNOD'S COMMITTEE ON UNITING BELLE CENTER, BELLEFONTAINE AND NORTHWOOD CONGREGATIONS.

Your committee appointed to visit these three congregations "and use their best judgment as to what should be done" toward uniting them, respectfully report: That the members met and agreed that it would be best to visit these people and

confer with members and officers of each congregation separately before calling them together.

We find a somewhat complex situation which makes it appear unwise to attempt a hasty solution of this problem. We find, also, a general desire on the part of most, if not all, of the people to comply with the suggestion of Synod. As we see it, the nearest approach to union which seems at present practicable, would be for Northwood and Belle Center to agree to call a pastor who could serve both, allowing such members as might desire, to unite with Bellefontaine; trusting that through brotherly co-operation they will soon be organically united.

This union to be effective must be a growth. It can not be accomplished by any compulsory method.

We recommend that a new committee be appointed, that they call together the sessions of the three congregations, setting before them the desire of Synod, and urge them to reach an early conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. WYLIE,
OWEN F. THOMPSON,
S. R. DAVIS.

Item 26. Uniting First and Second Boston and Cambridge congregations.

The report read by T. M. Slater, Chairman, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNITING CONGREGATIONS OF GREATER BOSTON.

Your Committee appointed to report on the hope of uniting our work in Greater Boston would say that we have visited this field and endeavored to ascertain the exact conditions. A circular letter was prepared with the approval of your Committee setting forth the advantages of union and signed by all the elders, except one, of the three congregations concerned, and a referendum vote on the question of union taken, with the result that out of the 140 members reached, 104 replied, 90 favoring union and 14 opposed.

But before beginning we were informed by the Clerk of First Boston congregation, under date of July 11, that at a regularly appointed meeting on July 9, they had fully considered the question of union, and without a dissenting vote had decided against it. Also by a communication from the pastor of this congregation under the same date, we were informed of his purpose to continue his present relation. And under date of July 2, 1923, both members of your Committee were notified by the pastor of Second Boston of his opposition toward any union with the other congregations.

In view, therefore, of the continued loyalty of the members of First Boston to their own pastor, and their purpose to continue their own separate life, together with the continued op-

position of the pastor of Second Boston to any change, your Committee would report that while further efforts in the direction of union would be welcomed on the part of Cambridge, they are as respects First Boston inadvisable, and as respects Second Boston impossible.

T. M. SLATER,
R. J. BOLE.

Item 27. Uniting Washington and Rehoboth congregations. Geo. S. Coleman, Clerk, read the report of Iowa Presbytery on this matter. The report was adopted and is as follows:

UNITING WASHINGTON AND REHOBOTH CONGREGATIONS.

In accordance with the direction of Synod that Iowa Presbytery consider uniting Washington and Wyman congregations the Presbytery took the following action:

Iowa Presbytery, in view of the fact that Washington and Wyman congregations have settled pastors, and in view of the distance between the two and the unreliable road conditions, recommends that no action on union be taken at present, but that the Washington pastor give three-fourths time to Washington and three months' service in vacant congregations, this plan to be subject to review by the Central Board and the fall meeting of the Iowa Presbytery after consultation with the Washington pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. S. COLEMAN, Clerk.

Item 28. Uniting Walton and Bovina congregations. Boyd A. White reported verbally for New York Presbytery that there was no occasion for action, Bovina having secured a pastor. The report was approved.

Item 29. Provision for Slippery Rock congregation. The report submitted by R. W. Redpath, Clerk of Pittsburgh Presbytery, was adopted and is as follows:

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The clerk duly called Presbytery's attention to your suggestion with respect to the Slippery Rock Congregation as per minutes of Synod, 1923, page 112.

Presbytery at its fall meeting referred the matter to its Home Mission Secretary for careful study and recommendation at its spring meeting. Our Home Mission Secretary, after careful study of the whole matter submitted the following recommendation which was adopted by Presbytery and ordered transmitted as its answer to your suggestion.

Recommendation—"Inasmuch as Synod's proposal for preaching at the Slippery Rock Congregation (minutes 1923, page 112) would deprive that Congregation of the morning ser-

vice and, since the folks there desire a settlement and have promised sufficient money (except $360.00 which they are requesting through the Mission Conference) it is the judgment of Pittsburgh Presbytery that the proposed arrangement should not be entered into at the present time."

In behalf of Pittsburgh Presbytery.

Respectfully transmitted,
R. W. REDPATH, Clerk.

Item 30. The situation on College Hill. The report as submitted by T. M. Slater was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNITING COLLEGE HILL AND GENEVA CONGREGATIONS.

Your Committee on uniting the Congregations of College Hill and Geneva would respectfully report that all our efforts in this direction during the past year have centered around two papers upon which we desired that all concerned should come to agreement.

Of these papers the first concerned the willingness of both Congregations to approach this subject in the spirit of prayer and entire dependence upon the guidance and help of God. The second concerned the willingness of both to submit to an investigation of, and conference concerning, all those matters of difference which some felt stood in the way of an immediate union.

As your Committee has so far failed to secure united action upon either of these preliminary steps, and as we feel that such an agreement to pray together, and a like agreement to frankly consider together all matters of difference are absolutely necessary to any later agreement; your Committee regretfully reports that we see no way of reaching a righteous union until both of these steps have been taken.

Respectfully submitted,
T. M. SLATER,
D. H. ELLIOTT.

Item 31. Proposed new Terms of Communion. After some discussion the further consideration of the proposed Terms was indefinitely postponed.

Synod adjourned to 8:45 tomorrow morning. Prayer by S. F. Kingston.

TUESDAY FORENOON.

WINONA LAKE, June 10, 1924.

Synod met according to adjournment at 8:45 a. m., was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by T. C. McKnight. The roll was called. Devotion-

al exercises were conducted by S. E. Greer. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

Consideration of the report on Unfinished Business was resumed.

Item 32. Employment of Stated Supplies in vacant congregations. This matter is covered in the report of the Central Board.

Item 33. Employment of women home missionary workers. The Central Board reported no success in securing such.

Item 34. To receive and report names of non-resident members of congregations. The Home Mission Secretary reported that the names had not been furnished by the Presbyteries, and the request to the Presbyteries to supply such names was renewed.

Item 35. Insurance of Seminary students. The report was submitted by J. S. Tibby and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Item 36. Organization, incorporation and rooms of the Historical Society. The report as presented by J. B. Willson was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT ON HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Satisfactory quarters for the Society have not yet been selected and consequently no action has been taken to gather materials. A number of persons have spoken of articles in their possession which they would be glad to have placed under the Society's care. No steps have been taken to proceed with the organization and work of the Society as authorized by Synod. This is chiefly the decision of the officers of last year, though some other directors have been consulted during the year, and consequently this report is signed only by these officers. We still believe the purpose of the Society proper and admirable, and one that can and ought to be carried out.

J. B. WILLSON, President.
JAMES S. TIBBY, Secretary.

Item 37. Report on Psalmody to be published as tract. Not yet done, but still in view if thought advisable by Committee.

Item 38. Questionnaire for Sabbath Schools. Not yet attended to.

Item 39. Commission to revive Barnesville congregation. Thomas McFall made a verbal report explaining the impossibility of accomplishing the end desired. The re-

port was approved, and the question of further effort in this direction was referred to the Committee on Discipline.

Item 40. To ordain Cloyd E. Caskey. The Clerk of Kansas Presbytery reported that the matter was attended to, and Mr. Caskey ordained to the gospel ministry on October 17, 1923. The report was approved.

Item 41. To write letters of sympathy. All those appointed to write such letters present in Synod reported attended to, with one exception in which the appointment had been overlooked.

Item 42. Delegates to Christian Citizenship Conference. A number of those appointed reported their attendance, and the success of the Conference which was of a very high order.

Item 43. Bills payable by Synod's Treasurer. The Treasurer, J. S. Tibby, reported all bills paid, and the report was approved.

Item 44. Committee on arrangements for Synod. D. H. Elliott reported attended to and the report was approved.

The report on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole. The various items are recorded in connection with the action on each, and are listed in the index.

A resolution introduced by J. B. Willson as to the use of funds derived from the mortgaging or sale of church property was referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

The request of T. M. Slater that the papers in connection with the situation on College Hill be referred to Pittsburgh Presbytery was laid on the table.

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m. Prayer by Elder W. W. Twinam.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Same place, 2:00 p. m.

Synod reassembled, was called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by George R. Steele. The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

J. R. W. Stevenson, Chairman, submitted the report on Foreign Missions, which was taken up item by item. In connection with the adoption of the report as a whole, the foreign missionaries present at Synod, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Robb and Miss Rose Huston of the Mission in China, Miss Evangeline Metheny of the Syrian Mission of the Irish Synod, and Cloyd E. Caskey under appointment to Cyprus, were presented to the Court and spoke briefly concerning their work. F. M. Wilson, the Corresponding Secretary, spoke on behalf of the Board. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Your Committee on Foreign Missions would respectfully report: The only paper referred to us is the Report of the Foreign Mission Board. Through the courtesy of the Secretary of the Board, we have additional information in reports and letters from the workers in the various fields. These all indicate that the past year has been one of extraordinary experiences in our mission fields. Though God has permitted the darkness of threatening disaster, and destruction of the work as a result of the disturbed condition of nations, yet he has led his servants either into the light, or into the exercise of a measure of faith which gives peace and joy in midst of tribulation; such joy as can be had only in His abiding presence. God has fulfilled his word, "I will have mercy and will save them by the Lord their God, and will not save by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle."

Such examples of personal work as are recorded may put us of the home-land to shame, but should serve as an inspiration to more complete consecration.

The Lord has revealed to us, in the building of the Leper Hospital, that much may be accomplished, even when money is lacking. We should undertake needed work trusting in God rather than in our bank account.

We rejoice with our representatives in the field in the evidences of growth in character of the converts, and in evidences that God by his Spirit and by his providence is leading in his way. God appears to be asking of us a greater faith in his plans and in his power.

We therefore, recommend:

1. That the work in Mersina be continued with whatever force the Board may be able to employ.

2. That our Sabbath Schools be asked to contribute sufficient to complete payment for the car purchased by Dr. Esmond Smith, and that any surplus contributions be turned into the Foreign Mission treasury as undesignated funds.

3. That F. M. Foster, J. C. McFeeters, F. M. Wilson, R. J. Bole and S. R. Boggs be re-elected as members of the Board, and that W. J. Beatty and A. J. Harding be chosen as additional members.

4. That F. M. Wilson be heard on behalf of the Board, and that W. M. Robb, Mrs. W. M. Robb, Miss Rose Huston, C. E. Caskey and Miss Evangeline Metheny, also be heard.

J. R. W. STEVENSON.
G. R. STEELE.
D. RAYMOND TAGGART.
J. H. FEE.
F. A. SMITH.

REPORT OF BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS TO THE SYNOD OF 1924.

The Board ascribes praise and thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus Christ and the Father of all mercies for the work and signal favors of another year. In Cyprus and Syria there has been unbroken peace, affording opportunity for successful service in quietude of mind. In Asia Minor many peaceful and quiet days have been vouchsafed, but at no time could the workers feel secure in their position and work. The threat of a complete shutdown of the schools has been continually before their minds, and at last on March 18th of this year the schools were closed. In China unceasing disturbance has been their portion the entire year. Dr. Dickson opens his report with these words:

"Not since the Taiping rebellion seventy years ago has this province in which our work is located seen so much unrest, distress and bloodshed as in the year 1923; and not since the Boxer uprising of 1900 have so many of our fellow-workers in Central and North China been brutally assaulted, kidnapped or killed. Our own district has suffered much at the hands of robbers and the frequent conflicts between contending military forces, but we praise His name that in spite of these conditions and the difficulties that attend them, we have been kept in good health and from all harm, and have never had greater opportunity for service. The Lord has dealt with us exceeding graciously and we have great reason to thank Him and take courage."

Yet great work has been carried forward. Not only in the Island of Cyprus and in Syria, but in China, and even in Cilicia our workers feel they have won their way with the Gospel into the hearts and lives of the people as perhaps in no former period. In China some of the most conspicuous evidences of success have attended the labors of our missionaries. In Asia Minor the people in large numbers, including a surprising ratio of Moslems, constantly sought out our Missionaries for the comfort of the Gospel. Even since the closing of the schools by the Angora government there has been no cessation of mission work, for although they regret they can no longer teach the children, the hope of the future, yet the missionaries are now released for meetings in the homes of the people and for personal interviews without number. So great are their opportunities that the workers report they are, if it were possible, less inclined to withdraw from the field than ever. And the hope is entertained that the government may change its order and permit the reopening of the schools or be itself overturned and sup-

planted by a new government more reasonable and favorable to our work. A British admiral, assigned to duty on the waters of those parts, expressed the view that soon our schools may be permitted to reopen. In any event the question is still before us: Should the church concentrate our workers for more intensive effort in fewer stations, or should the station in Asia Minor be maintained? The Board will welcome the judgment and counsel of Synod in answer to this question. The Board will gladly give Synod or its Committee on Foreign Missions all detailed information in its possession. The missionaries at this station deserve our highest commendaton for their courage, faithfulness and self-sacrifice. Miss French and Mr. Robb are carrying on while Miss McElroy, overtaken with illness, is at Latakia for rest and medical attention. We trust the Lord will soon restore her to health.

SYRIA

In the Syrian field all the departments of the work have been attended with encouragement. "We open our annual report," they write, "with praise to our God, who hath dealt very bountifully with us in a year when His terrible judgments have been manifested in many parts of the earth. We have had a very peaceful year. Good order has been maintained in every part of our field, and the health of our missionaries and people has been preserved in a way to call forth our special gratitude. As you will note in the reports of the various departments, which we transmit herewith, we have nothing startling or unusual to report, and still long for the day of more manifest spiritual power."

In the department of Bible Work for Women, Miss Edgar and the native Bible woman had much success and little or no hindrance of any kind. They made nearly 800 calls and conversed with nearly 2000 persons about the saving truths of the Word of God. In reading lessons, in the medical clinics, in women's meetings, in the homes, in the shops, in outvisits to the villages with Dr. Smith, the Word, either spoken, in tract or Scripture portion, was continually brought to the women and children.

"While it would be impossible to tabulate results, we feel encouraged in that there is a wide-open door of opportunity for contact both among nominal Christians and non-Christians, opportunity for much reading of the Word and very manifest interest and attention, especially among the Moslem women."

Girls' School and Boys' School.

Miss Kennedy has continued splendid service in the former, and Dr. McFarland in the latter, with Mrs. McFarland helping in many ways, besides acting as treasurer of the mission. One hundred girls and 103 boys have been enrolled, and the work has been as good and encouraging as in previous years. Classes in the Bible, meetings for prayer, Christian Endeavor meetings are at all times re-enforcing the example of the Christian life of the missionary. Thirteen village schools, the

same as reported last year, were still maintained and with about the same encouragement and results.

Medical Work.

With two physicians and a trained nurse on the staff, this department enlarged its activities. For ten months of the year the work was pushed with full force and even during the summer vacation period much was accomplished, not only about Latakia but also in the villages. Since Dr. Smith procured the automobile many trips have been made into the villages, which could not otherwise have been reached. The Board has made a small appropriation for the expense of operating this car, and small sums continue to come in from the church to be applied on its purchase price. We hope the church will soon entirely reimburse Dr. Smith for its purchase. Twenty-six visits in all were made to the villages. In Latakia 9,000 patients were treated in the clinics and 820 in their homes. During the nine months in which the hospital was open 160 in-patients were treated. Dr. Balph continues in surprising vigor and was almost constantly employed in Latakia, except for his summer holiday.

The Native Church.

In many ways the Native Church, organized with a large degree of self-government and responsibility, is making progress toward what we hope will soon be a self-governing, self-supporting and self-propagating church.

While the revising of the roll leads to a reduction of names, yet ten new members were received during the year. There are now three ordained men of their own people, Revs. Hanna Besna, Kahlil Awad and Mikhail Lattoof,, and they prove a help and encouragement to the scattered people. The people have shown a commendable zeal for the truth and liberality in the support of the church. The new church building is nearing completion.

Mission to Syrians in New Castle.

Dr. James S. Stewart has continued this work along the lines heretofore reported, and with substantially similar results. There are difficulties peculiar to the situation of the Syrian people in the conditions surrounding them in a strange land, yet Dr. and Mrs. Stewart are not without encouragement in their faithful labors. The Lord of the harvest is gathering His own into His garner.

The Mission in Cyprus.

In the course of the year Mr. Remo I. Robb was sent by the Cyprus station to help Miss French and Miss McElroy at Mersina, and at the holidays the Board sent out to Cyprus, Mr. R. W. Hemphill to help in the work at Larnaca. Except for the single fact that there has been no minister in Cyprus, the work has gone forward smoothly and successfully. In addition to the schools and departments, account of which was contained in our last report, we have to report this year an Armenian Elementary School under supervision of the Academy

at Larnaca. This was organized to provide schooling for children of Armenian refugees. It was held in the church and there are four teachers and sixty students. This school is in charge of a fine Christian Armenian and is self-supporting, as the principal and three helpers—all Armenians—content themselves with what they are able to collect from the students. The mission gives the use of the building free, and a great need of the Armenian refugees is thus met.

The Academy for Boys.

This has had a fine year with more than 200 enrolled and thirteen teachers. All the usual activities of such a school have marked progress. In addition to the academic work, they have literary societies, debating teams and contests, athletics, Bible classes, prayer meetings, Sabbath preaching, Christian Endeavor, Sabbath School and more recently a Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Weir and all his helpers are enthusiastic and happy in their work.

The Medical Department, as heretofore, so once again has been successful and self-supporting. Dr. Calvin McCarroll has a strong hold on the people, is skillful in the treatment of their ailments, and turns all to account for the furtherance of the Gospel and the salvation of souls. Three weekly prayer meetings are held in Nicosia, the centre from which Dr. McCarroll works, Tuesday evening in Turkish, Wednesday evening in Greek and Thursday evening in English. The results of these meetings, we are gratified to hear, are apparent in the lives of those who attend.

In Nicosia is also the American Academy for Girls. This venture has proved a success from the beginning. The women of our Synodical are to be congratulated on their success in raising salaries, the fine qualities of Miss Weir and Miss Wilson as organizers and teachers, and the unusual success and encouragement attending the founding of this school. From the mission report we take these words: "It had a very successful year, and we feel that our hopes are being realized and our faith justified in opening this new branch of mission work in Cyprus, and we are encouraged to pray and believe that in due time we shall see the blessed fruits resulting from the labors of these servants of the Lord." Last year they opened with an enrollment of eight and closed with fourteen. This year they began with sixteen—just double that of last year's opening enrollment and closed the first semester with thirty on the roll. We have no report for the second semester of this year. With a similar growth next year, and with our Women's Synodical continuing to pay the salaries of the American teachers, it is reasonable to expect the school will be self-supporting. A fine course of study has been provided for the girls, and the aim is to have the instruction in each language required by a national teacher.

The evangelistic work in the Island of Cyprus has grown until a minister from America is an urgent need. The Board plans to send Rev. Cloyd E. Caskey to Cyprus the coming

autumn to take the place of Rev. Alvin W. Smith who has been in such a state of health as to be unable to return. Carrying with him the experience acquired in the Indian Mission and his native ability and scholarly attainments, we are certain Mr. Caskey will make a fine addition to the working force in this field. Dr. A. J. McFarland visited the Island during the year and dispensed communion at Larnaca and Nicosia at which places respectively 48 and 30 persons sat down at the table of the Lord. An Armenian minister has regularly preached in Nicosia this year, and three other native workers are giving their full time to evangelistic work in Larnaca. Mr. Weir preaches regularly in Larnaca and once a month in Nicosia. With special reference to the work of the native workers Mr. Weir reports:

"Evangelistic work has been very encouraging this year. There is at present a real revival going on among the Armenian population. New found joy is being expressed continually. Many are praying who never prayed before. A few months ago at Larnaca a Wednesday evening prayer meeting was organized for Armenians. This in addition to the Thursday afternoon prayer meeting conducted in English. About 50 people attend. But the people requested another meeting also, so on Sabbath evening they come together again."

Later, "six Christian men—Armenians— came from Nicosia to Larnaca for the week-end. They visited in the homes and held a few meetings. Three of them spoke at the chapel service in the Academy on Monday morning. These men seemed to know whereof they spoke. They were men who wanted to speak for Christ and to live for Him. These things do not just happen. The spirit of God is at work in our midst."

The China Field.

Here again we shall not undertake a detailed report of each unit of the service. For several years past it has been our aim in the annual report to acquaint the Synod and church with the diversified activities of each department, and in measure of each missionary. We have decided this year to pass by such details and to feature some of the outstanding aspects of the work as a whole.

First of all, Dr. Dickson's statement as to political disturbances has already been cited. Let there be added this word by Mr. Kempf: "In my nineteen years of missionary service no other year has been so full of real danger, and yet we have not suffered a scratch. No other year has been so full of anxiety for the safety of the lives and property of others (many of whom thrust themselves and their possessions upon us), and yet they suffered nothing of what we feared might be. No other year has been so full of opposing currents, the spirit of non-co-operation and signs of disintegration within our mission field and circle. And yet we have come to the end of the year with a whole field and an unbroken circle still before us. The political disturbances on the outside, and the discord, discontent and threatened disruption on the inside have driven us into new and

strange experiences of the protecting and guiding power of the hand of the Almighty. Looking over all the experiences of the year we can say without hesitation or mental reservation that every day in every way the hand of the Lord has been upon us for good. Blessing and honor and glory be to His great and holy name!" The discontent and disruption referred to relate to workings of the Chinese American Council to which we shall allude later in our report.

The Medical Department.

Do Sing has been worked from Tak Hing as a base. From Lo Ting outstations have been reached, while Dr. and Mrs. Wright have continued in Canton. Dr. M. Edna Wallace has revived and enlarged the work in Gregg Memorial Hospital at Tak Hing and made frequent trips to Do Sing, where at all times simple remedies were on sale. Dr. Wright carried the manifold activities of former years, seemingly thriving on hard work, and has played his part in maintaining Canton as a great medical centre for South China. Dr. Dickson, an engine of throbbing energy, has pushed forward to larger and better things in every line of medical endeavor at Lo Ting. Particular mention should be made of the fact that a women's ward has been added to the Lo Ting Hospital. Last year he reported that they planned a ward of sufficient size to accomodate twelve or fifteen; but so rapid was the increase in woman patients that the ward added this year is almost the size of the original hospital.

The Leper Hospital, so long planned for, is now well under way, the first unit having been almost completed January of this year. Of almost romantic interest is the fact that this first structure has been built by leper labor, patients who are still able to do considerable work. And Dr. Dickson adds, "According to our present plans the whole institution will be put up by lepers themselves. A year ago," he continues, "we planned to put this hospital up by contract, but on account of the great increase in price of labor it was postponed until God showed us he had another plan and solution for our problem and sent a leper to our clinic who was an experienced builder. This man and a few other lepers are now erecting the hospital which is about a mile and a half outside the city. It is nicely located and well isolated."

Dr. Wallace's report shows successful endeavor in many directions in Tak Hing. Of Dr. Wallace's devotion, tact and professional skill her fellow-missionaries have nothing but words of praise. With characteristic modesty she herself sums up the results of the year's efforts in one brief sentence: "The harvest, we feel, has been in proportion to the seed sown." We cannot forbear to mention the large way in which all the medical work is made to contribute directly to evangelism. A thousand more patients were at the Lo Ting Hospital this year than last. From 500 villages they came seeking healing of body. These all heard of the Great Physician of souls. More than 1500 services were conducted in wards and clinics, beside personal

work done at the bedside. In Canton Hospital the multiplied religious efforts, now made familiar to us all, resulted the past year in 115 professed conversions to Christ. And in an outstation from Lo Ting a Chinaman, who found Christ in the school a few years ago, became fired with missionary zeal. At his own expense he went out to the most notoriously wicked village in the district, hired and repaired a house reputed to be haunted by devils, moved into it, supported himself and family selling medicines six days in the week, and on Sabbaths, refusing to sell medicines, devoted himself entirely to preaching the Gospel. Shortly he had converted an old building into a chapel, largely at his own expense, and before the year closed sent for Rev. R. C. Adams to come out and baptise the converts. Twenty-two men and women, among them an old man of eighty-six and his wife eighty-five years old, were baptised by Mr. Adams on one day and in one service. This number, for man's outward reckoning, God gave Mr. Chan, a new convert, who himself believed in Christ and held that the gospel of Jesus Christ should pay its own way.

The Ministerial and Educational Departments have also stressed at all times evangelism as their chief aim. Every missionary has much to say in his or her report about Bible teaching, prayer and preaching, itinerating. In spite of the political unrest, with its robberies, kidnappings and murders, our missionaries, both men and women, have gone out into the far-lying districts, even those heretofore untouched, and have pierced with shafts of light these disturbed regions, wrapped in the darkness of sin and fear and death.

The Chinese-American Council.

The introduction of this plan which places financial and administrative responsibility largely on the native church has brought many changes and new problems. The Chinese workers in many instances were led to fear lest their support would not be forthcoming. This feeling of insecurity led some to discontinue their services. Others were tempted to entice pupils into the schools for the sake of their tuition that there might be no lack of funds to meet their salaries. Still others rose to new and unexpected standards of faith and devotion, thus proving that the Spirit of Christ was in their hearts. These witnesses for Christ have made a profound impression on the Chinese people. The adventure of faith on the part of our workers and these self-sacrificing converts has been vindicated, and the end is not yet. There is but the beginning of great things to follow. The plan has caused some new difficulties, some seeming failures, but on the whole has been attended by gratifying success. Miss Ella Margaret Stewart, from the first a moving spirit in the introduction of the council plan, gives the fullest account of its working. Some of her statements are now given to Synod: "The year just drawing to a close will long be remembered as our first period of work under the direction of the Chinese-American Council. While the transfer of administration has not yet produced all the beneficial results

desired and prayed for, it also has not brought the chaos or great falling away in the membership of the church predicted by some. In fact, we have reason to believe that the danger of the latter is almost past, and that the future benefits are limited only by our willingness 'to let go, and let God' show what he can do with the Chinese church. More than a century under the old methods has proved that the task is too big for the missionary; also that the foreign missionary is, after all, 'a necessary evil' bearing the same relation to the native church that scaffolding bears to a building in the process of erection."

"The treasurer of the new organization has received many inquiries as to the amount of financial responsibility actually borne by the Chinese Christians this year.

"Some items can and should be stated frankly: First, that several of the brethren refused to give any financial aid; and that none, so far as we know, outside of the salaried workers, have given their tenths. Second, that it was, humanly speaking, the tithes of the missionaries, which kept the work at the status quo this year But there are also some encouraging features. The large majority of salaried workers have tithed, and the total Chinese contributions are easily twice as much as they have ever been before. The leaders of the church have shown a new willingness and interest in preaching or talking on the duties and privileges of stewardship. Many formerly said it would hinder people believing if they felt they had to subscribe for the upkeep of the church. Now some preach that those who are not willing to give as God has prospered them are not worthy to belong to the body of Christ. There has been a real need for the exercise of faith in all departments and many have responded." The reading of these reports shows that God has met their faith in remarkable and unmistakable ways. Native workers signed their yearly contracts knowing that their salaries would be discounted should income not equal expense. The head man teacher employed for nine years in the Redpath Girls' School left in a rage because of this new policy and did everything in his power to hurt the school. Many prophesied that there would be a great falling off of pupils. This meant that the remaining teachers faced a further reduction rather than increase in tuition receipts. What was the result? Let Miss Stewart answer: "How can we praise God enough for His goodness! The enrollment went up to 128 the first semester—the highest in the history of the school. Receipts from tuition and incidental fees amounted to more than we have ever received before. All teachers received their needed and hoped for support. This, however, is only secondary. The remarkable way in which God brought the evil counsel of his enemy to naught has increased their faith and turned their eyes Godward rather than manward, in other difficulties we have faced." Miss Stewart's last word is: "If we fail, ours the shame. If we win, His the Glory. Are you all helping in intercession? We know many are, so thank God and take courage."

We delay longer only to bring to Synod the plea coming from every field and from every missionary—the plea for our

intercessions, earnest and unceasing. Will we grant them their request? Or shall we at the home base fail them? If we ask, they shall receive. If we seek, they shall find. If we knock, to them it shall be opened.

The Board asks the same appropriation as was granted last year, $52,000.

In view of conditions in the Tarsus field, the question as to continuing the work in that field is referred to Synod.

The time for which F. M. Foster, J. C. McFeeters, F. M. Wilson, R. J. Bole and S. R. Boggs were chosen to membership on this Board has expired. Synod should choose their successors. The Board requests that Elders W. J. Beatty, of the Third Church, New York, and A. J. Harding, of the Montclair, be added.

Walter McCarroll was appointed to represent the Board before the Co-ordinating Committee, and Findley M. Wilson before the Synod.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board,

FINDLEY M. WILSON, Corresponding Secretary.

The Chairman, E. G. Russell, presented the report of the Committee on Home Missions, which was taken up item by item. In accord with Item 5, a prayer of thanksgiving was offered by J. S. Stewart for the spared life of W. W. Carithers and for the work of the Indian Mission. Frank L. Stewart addressed the Court on behalf of the Jewish Mission; Cloyd E. Caskey on behalf of the Indian Mission. Elder Yellowfish, his wife and little grand-daughter were presented to the Synod and spoke for a few minutes. R. J. McIsaac, J. C. Slater and S. F. Kingston spoke for the Southern Mission. E. L. McKnight spoke on behalf of the Board of Home Missions. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee would respectfully report that three papers have been referred to us, namely: The Report of the Board of Home Missions and Sustentation, The Report of the Jewish Mission Board, and a paper prepared by the Indian Committee of the Cache Creek Congregation requesting that Synod consider the opening of the school for Indian children at the Indian Mission. These we have carefully considered.

We would first of all recognize and commend the faithful oversight of the boards over the work they have had in charge, and express our appreciation of the untiring services of all the laborers in the several fields. We recognize the goodness of God in answering the prayers of the Synod and Church in the partial restoration of W. W. Carithers, and although he has not been permitted to return to his chosen field of service, the Lord has graciously raised up and called young men to take the leader-

ship, bringing to pass the words of the Psalmist, "Instead of the fathers shall be the children whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth."

It is to be regretted that the evil one is entrenching himself so securely in the licentious practices of the Indian people, which renders success in the ministry of the word among them so slow, but the day of evil is short. The spirit of God is mightier than evil. "He will convict the world of sin." Christ has conquered Satan, He can triumph in the lives of the Indians. The condition is an outstanding challenge to the forces of the church to enlist itself in united prayer for the destruction of evil practices, for victory over sinful habits among the Indians, and for the light of Christ to shine into the face of the Indian to direct him into the Jesus way. We need, too, to give our workers complete assurances of this support in their work. We likewise desire to assure the Indians of our deep interest in their concern over the moral and spiritual education of their children, and we pledge ourselves to help them solve this problem. We commend the efforts to enlist the young people among the Indians in Young People's Christian Work and trust it will have a large place in protecting them from threatening evils.

The church learns with great interest of the magnitude of the work in the Southern Mission and endorses the policy of the board in continuing educational work in Knox Academy. We commend the unceasing efforts of the instructors in the school to make the school work contributary to building our congregation in Selma. Religious education which supplements the work of the church in reaching the throbbing life of youth in those schools should not only be a great asset to the pupil, but a guide to every one to invest the life in Christ's service. The church appreciates the Home Department work and urges that it be pushed with vigor that by means of personal contact it may likewise contribute to the growth of the church. We want to commend the congregation itself for its loyal support of the budget, in addition to meeting the needs of its own local work, and we would urge the board to intensify the work of evangelism in that field.

Inasmuch as the entire work of the church depends upon the co-operation of every congregation it is imperative that our weak congregations be sufficiently strengthened to carry on their religious work. Providing financial help not only makes possible for them the regular enjoyment of the ordinances, but it strengthens the morale of each and stimulates all to provide more money for the work of the church in the extension of the Gospel. "We who are strong ought to support the weak." The proper support of the home base results in the larger support of the outlying stations. Hence, we want our Board of Home Missions to feel that we believe it has acted wisely in judiciously dispensing funds to weak congregations, and in keeping in close and sympathetic touch with all these fields, and we would remind all churches receiving such personal and financial help, of their added responsibilities to the whole work of

the church, and especially urge that they strive to produce laborers for our needy fields. We would urge that the board continue its policy of last year more intensively in seeking to secure both men and women to give their entire time to Sabbath School Home Missionary work in vacant congregations, and strive to provide for aid-receiving congregations, stated supplies, granting such supply sufficient supplement to the amount the congregation can pay to make the offer attractive. We likewise urge weak congregations to be more willing and responsive to this policy.

Recognizing the promises of God which relate to the race to which our Lord belonged, we have the confidence that our labors in the Mission of the Covenant will contribute its part to the coming of the time when "all Israel shall be saved." When we reckon the power and results of the conversion of the Jew the church should never relax her efforts to bring the Hebrew people to the recognition of Jesus as their promised Messiah. "For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?" Realizing the difficulties of the field, the church is gratified with the splendid work of the laborers and their voluntary helpers and commend them for their consecration, tact, and power of adaptation to conditions and assure them of our unceasing prayers for the Spirit's power to accompany their labors, and bring full fruitage from them. The day of the Lord Jesus will eventually arrive for the Jew. "They shall look upon Him whom they have pierced."

We recommend:

1. That ministers remind the people of our congregations of the unlimited opportunities, the grave difficulties, and the devoted self-sacrificing labors of our home mission fields and urge them to more constant intercession that the Lord of the harvest would thrust out laborers.

2. That since the Central Board is already thoroughly investigating the matter of reopening day schools for Indian children adjacent to the Mission, that the whole matter be left in the hands of the board to determine upon and put into operation the policy it considers best.

3. That the following persons be heard at this time: Frank L. Stewart, in behalf of the Jewish Mission; C. E. Caskey, for the Indian Mission; R. J. McIsaac and J. C. Slater, for the Southern Mission, and E. L. McKnight, for Home Missions.

4. That C. E. Caskey be authorized to carry to all the laborers of the Indian Mission; R. J. McIsaac to laborers in the Southern Mission, and F. L. Stewart to those of the Jewish Mission, the Synod's and Church's appreciation and approval of all the year's work.

5. That the Synod, here and now, by rising vote publicly declare its united recognition and appreciation of the life long services of W. W. Carithers in the Indian Mission, and express the desire that the days of his life shall be filled with Divine blessing, and that the joy of the Lord shall be his strength, and that the Synod now unites in a prayer of thanksgiving for the life and work of this faithful servant of Christ.

6. That E. L. McKnight and J. S. Tibby be elected their own successors on the Central Board, and that R. A. Blair and T. H. Martin be elected to take the place of the other two members who find it impossible to attend the meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

E. G. RUSSELL,
D. BRUCE MARTIN,
W. C. ALLEN,
J. M. MILLIGAN,
JOHN A. HEMPHILL.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND SUSTENTATION.

It is with deep gratitude to the gracious God who has helped us hitherto that the Board of Home Missions and Sustentation submits its annual report. Our regular bi-monthly meetings have been held as usual throughout the year and have been fairly well attended.

We have on our Board one or two honorary, rather than active members. Synod's attention is called to the mistake of choosing men to serve on boards who are so situated that they cannot attend or who decline to attend.

Your board has made earnest effort to consider carefully, plan wisely, and to carry into effect those measures that appeared to be for the highest degree of success of the work in the various fields under our charge. That we have not succeeded wholly is readily conceded. Nevertheless we are persuaded that the Master has accorded a measure of approval and consequent blessing.

Home Missions and Sustentation.

In accordance with Synod's instructions we have distributed your appropriations to aid-receiving congregations insofar as these have been called for. The amount appropriated for this Mission last year was $17,450. The amount used was $18,537.31. A special appeal came to your Board from the Princeton Congregation asking for some aid. The amount granted was $200.

During the year a greater interest in receiving preaching has been manifested by vacant congregations and it has seemed possible to supply this demand for preaching in a larger measure—not that we have more preachers, but that the preaching has been better distributed. Some gain has been made in the effort to provide vacant congregations with stated supplies rather than supplies.

The extraordinary attempt of last Synod to meet this shortage in ministers by providing some lay workers to supplement the labors of the ministry has so far proved futile. In accordance with Synod's instructions your board made an appeal for at least five women to give their entire time to Sabbath School Home Missionary work in vacant congregations, and also a call to the congregations desiring the services of such laborers to send in their requests. There has been no response,

although one young lady made inquiry privately about the possibility of taking up such work.

Your board which was authorized "to employ one man or if they see best two men to be Stated Supplies to certain vacant congregations," must report that nothing has been done as yet, though we hold ourselves in readiness to act along this line as the way may appear to open. By joint arrangements between your board and one of the Presbyteries a Stated Supply has been appointed to one of the vacant congregations for one year. In every case where it has seemed possible the Board has cooperated with the Presbyteries in efforts to provide congregations with preaching and of course holds itself always ready to act in this direction. We are sorry that the earnest efforts made by Synod at its last meeting to meet the urgent need in so many vacant congregations has not resulted in a larger degree of success. It is earnestly hoped that Synod will not relax its efforts to provide a sufficient ministry and to take such measures as will result in all our congregations being fully manned.

We began the year with a balance in this fund of $6,149.87. Receipts during the year amounted to $11,451.51. We have a deficit of $935.93 with which to begin the coming year. We ask for this fund for the ensuing year $12,000.

Southern Mission.

We have enjoyed quite an encouraging year at the Southern Mission, for which we are very grateful to the God who has made it so. The human hands that have contributed to this result have moved at the behest of willing hearts.

Knox Academy opened October 11, 1923, with an enrollment of 590. All the rooms except No. 8 have been filled to their full seating capacity, and many applicants for admission had to be turned away for lack of room. Generally speaking the health and attendance have been good throughout the year. The work in the various departments has been conducted along the same lines as heretofore. Miss Fowler has had the assistance of some of the girls in her work and has gotten along very well. Prof. Bottoms has handled his department in a capable manner. He is seeking some additional equipment which will increase the efficiency of his work.

In the Home Department, Mrs. Robb, who does all her work well, reports that from 200 to 250 boys and girls visit the library each month and an average of about 175 books are given out monthly. She makes numerous calls in the homes of the colored people. She reads the Bible and religious literature and prays and counsels the mothers as to their home problems. Mothers' meetings are held regularly under the direction of Mrs. Robb. Your board regards the Home Department work as a valuable missionary activity.

Quite a number of material improvements have been or are being made to the Mission plant. Electric lights are being installed in some parts of the Knox Academy school building, and new fire escapes are being placed. The city has laid a concrete

pavement on Mabry Street, on which the Mission has a frontage of 100 feet.

The Pleasant Grove School building has been sold for $1,000.

With respect to the proposed sale of the Selma School property, which was referred to us with power to act, your board, deeming the question of such large importance, decided to appoint two of its members to go to Selma and investigate the situation and bring back such information as would enable the board to act intelligently and wisely in the case. Revs. J. C. Slater and J. B. Willson were, therefore, appointed to visit Selma on this mission. Arrangements were made for them to conduct a series of evangelistic meetings while there. The meetings continued about ten days with fruitful results. A number made a profession of their faith and united with our own church and others united with other churches. Much interest in spiritual things was aroused and many felt the call to the higher life. The Spirit of the Lord was manifestly present to bless.

These two representatives of the board reported on the proposition to sell the school property; a recommendation with reasons therefore as follows: "Under the present conditions we sum up the results of our investigation in the recommendation that Knox Academy be continued and that no sale to the city school board be considered further. We recommend this for the following reasons:

"1. The school board does not now wish to buy the property and has no money available.

"2. One year only of high school is offered at present by the city, no manual training, no domestic art training equal to our own.

"3. Our school offers more educational and religious opportunities than any other negro school in the city. We are giving a knowledge of the Bible which is given nowhere else, and we are setting forth the highest type of Christian character.

"4. We believe we will lose nothing in the value of the property. The superintendent of schools assured us that to the best of his knowledge we would have as good a chance of selling to the school board at a later time. He would be willing to let us know if any new move were to be made, but said that any such move would be a matter of public knowledge.

"5. The colored people of the community want us to stay. There are enough places where the people want us out, that it makes us feel like staying where they want us."

The above recommendation was adopted by the board. Hence the matter of selling Knox Academy is considered a closed issue for the present. Prof. McIsaac writes: "It is hardly necessary to say that the decision of your board to continue the school was hailed with delight by the many friends and patrons of the schools. I think the proposal to sell was conducive of good. It caused the colored people of the community to realize as never before what Knox Academy had done for them."

The Selma congregation reports a membership of 104. Nine were added during the year. The amount of money raised by the congregation for all purposes is $901.80. A new roof was

put on the church building last summer. It has been paid for and some money has been contributed for painting the church. The congregation paid its allotment for the Synodical budget in full.

The Sabbath School has kept about as usual. All of the teachers except Miss Martin and Mrs. Brooks work in the Sabbath School. The enrollment is 148. The Sabbath School collections for the year are $81.26.

Prof. McIsaac writes: "In reviewing the work of the year, it seems to me that it has been one of the pleasantest and most profitable ones that I have spent here. The teachers work together harmoniously and a good spirit prevails among the pupils. To date I have had fewer cases of discipline than in any preceding year. Moral and religious training has been stressed each and every day."

We began the year with a balance in this fund of $2,151.01. We have received during the year $14,083 33. Our expenditures amounted to $14,331.25. Our balance is $1,903.09. We ask for this cause for the coming year $10,000.

The Indian Mission.

Your board is glad to report that there has been a marked improvement in the health of Mr. Carithers, but we are sorry that it has not been sufficient to enable him to return to the Mission field. On account of his continued illness Mr. Carithers requested that he be granted an indefinite furlough and on account of the depleted condition of the treasury that his salary be discontinued. Your board very reluctantly acceded to this request, for we recognize not only a debt of gratitude, but also the financial obligation which the church owes to Mr. Carithers for the splendid services he has rendered through the years—years into which he has poured, without stint, practically his whole life's strength. May God greatly enrich his spiritual experience as he passes through the valley of affliction, and in the end reward him bountifully according to his labor of love.

At the close of the Seminary last spring Licentiate Paul D. White took charge of the work at the Mission and continued to labor there during the summer months. When Mr. White returned to the Seminary in the fall Cloyd E. Caskey took charge and has labored there until now. Paul D. White has been appointed assistant superintendent in charge of the Mission and will take up the work soon after Synod.

Miss McMurtry, after years of hard and faithful service, found it necessary to resign and return to her home. The board deeply appreciates the splendid labors rendered by Miss McMurtry during her years at the Mission.

Miss Jameson of the Hebron Congregation took Miss McMurtry's place about the 1st of December.

Mrs. Patton has continued her labors through the year and has done good work visiting in the Indian homes, teaching in the Sabbath School, and aiding in all things to be done about the Mission plant.

Mr. Clay Williams is in charge of the farm work and has

the fine support of his capable and devoted wife, Mrs. Bessie (Yellowfish) Williams, who also is a great asset to the Mission force.

Mr. Williams has a choice reputation as a Christian man. To quote the words concerning him of one qualified to speak: "I never knew a man with a finer consecrated spirit." Mr. Williams in speaking of the farm prospects for the coming year says: "How interesting it all looks out ahead. I just find myself looking ahead and thinking how this all should be done in the best way. But I am not doing one thing without asking the Lord how and when it should be done. I always say: 'It is all Yours and I am just a little tool in Your hands to be used as You think best. It is all for Your glory that I want this. Nothing for me, but only the joy that I will get out of it because I want to please You.' I want the place to be what the Lord wants it to be." With such a spirit in charge of the farm we may expect that even the plowing will be to the glory of God.

The board has had under advisement during the year the wisdom of continuing to operate the farm. It was decided to make a trial over a period of two years to determine whether the farm can be made to justify its continued operation both from the financial and spiritual points of view.

Mr. Caskey tells how favorably he was impressed, on his arrival at the Mission, with the fine plant and the beauty of the surrounding country. He says: "The church may be justly proud of the plant. The pity is that there is no use now for so many buildings; especially the school buildings." In speaking of the fall communion, Mr. Caskey writes: "I suppose the attendance was poor compared with former years, but it was all new to me and I was encouraged."

On Sabbath morning a meeting is held at the Apache camp, or if they are not in camp at one of the homes where there will be an opportunity to speak to a number of the people. The Sabbath School lesson is taught and sometimes supplemented with a gospel talk. "The Apaches seem to like to have us go and teach them," writes Mr. Caskey, "but we are not always sure whether they come for the gospel or for something else. Sometimes after the meetings are over and the missionaries gone gambling begins."

"The work among the Apache young people," he continues, "is not very encouraging. We have been encouraged by the stand taken by a few of our faithful members toward the evils that prevail among the Apaches."

The Sabbath afternoon services at the Mission church are attended mostly by the Comanches. First comes the Sabbath School and this is followed by the preaching, which is done generally through an interpreter. Many of the Indians are now able to understand the preaching in the English language. The prospect is that it will not be long until an interpreter will not be necessary.

A young people's society was organized last fall. The meetings are held in the evening with a fair attendance. Some attention is being given to training the Indian young men in

athletics. Mr. Caskey reports that some desire has been expressed by the Indians that the school be reopened, especially for the younger children. The moral conditions in the schools which the Indian children attend are reported as very unsatisfactory. It is hard for an Indian girl in the high school to live right. Some of the parents have for this reason taken their girls out of school. One Indian father has said that he will give a thousand dollars to have a school opened.

The Indians are taking advantage of the free government hospitals and are learning to take better care of themselves and their children. As a result there are not so many funerals, especially of babies as there were previously. Efforts are being made, and with some success, to encourage the Indians to come to the Mission on week days. One hundred and thirty-seven meals were served the Indians in March, mostly to young people seeking recreation or reading opportunities.

An interesting item of news from the field recently was to the effect that an Indian woman, Mrs. Ada Yellowfish Burgess, was a delegate to the Women's Presbyterial Convention of Kansas Presbytery.

The curse of the Indian is dancing, gambling, peyote eating and immorality. Great Indian picnics are frequently held lasting from six to ten days. They are very largely attended and free rein is given to all forms of carnal indulgences. Peyote is a drug far more intoxicating than whiskey, but not covered by the Volstead act or any anti-narcotic law. Now, to prevent peyote being made illegal a peyote church has been organized. It is claimed that this church has been started to promote the Christian religion through the use of the sacrament of peyote as it is understood by the Indian. The special appeal of this church lies in the fact that it is a distinctly Indian organization. The moral and spiritual conditions among the Indians are certainly deplorable and they appear to be growing worse rather than better. Our laborers are working with all their might and pleading with the God of battles to arise and plead His own cause. The Evil One is making most desperate efforts to thwart our Mission activities. Possibly there never has been an hour when our work was more needed at Apache or a more urgent call for our most earnest prayers. One of the workers writes: "We need wisdom, we need courage, we need strength, tact, discretion; we need the power of God to uphold us. And our poor pople, they need the love of God in their hearts." Let us not back down, but move on to meet the Satanic attack in the strength of the Lord God of Hosts.

We began the year with a deficit of $1,279.97. We have received $4,767.86. Our expenditures were $8,703.27. Our deficit is $3,935.41.

We recommend:

1 That the whole church be urged to study the conditions and needs in the various fields and to lend to their support a larger measure of interest and financial aid.

2. That a most earnest call go out to the church to inter-

cede with God for the work and the workers in all our vacant aid-receiving congregations at Selma and among the Indians.

The time for which R. H. Martin, Robt. Park, E. L. McKnight and J. S. Tibby were elected members of this board has expired and their successors should be elected at this meeting of Synod. The former two have not been attending the meetings of the board. J. C. Slater, J. B. Willson and R. J. McIsaac have been appointed to speak before Synod for the Southern Mission, C. E. Caskey for the Indian Mission and E. L. McKnight for Home Missions and Sustentation.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. McKNIGHT, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE JEWISH MISSION BOARD FOR 1924.

The merchant prince of Boston, a Jew, is reported in the papers sometime ago to have made the statement that, in his judgment, within fifteen years in America, it will either be Jesus Christ or anarchy. The Jewish Mission is endeavoring to do her bit in placing Jesus Christ before the Jew as his personal Saviour and the King of Kings in national life.

The board has held seven meetings since last Synod. The work has been encouraging in many respects. The health of the missionaries, Miss Emma McFarland and Miss Annie Forsythe, has been good, which has resulted in no inability for duty.

The regular activities during the week were as follows:

Sabbath—
Sabbath School.
Evening meeting for girls.
Evening meeting for boys.

Tuesday—
Jewish mothers' meetings.
Children's hour.

Wednesday—
Boys' afternoon.

Thursday—
Sewing class.
Boys' club.

Friday—
Children's temperance meeting.
Russian adult meeting.

Visits were made by the workers in the homes of the neighborhood to the number of 1,218. Considerable time has been given each week to callers at the Mission. The workers met each week an aggregate of from 200 to 400, most of these coming to the Mission. The children are divided into groups to make possible the best opportunity of instructing them.

A good receptive spirit was manifested during the past year, and there was very little disturbance. There were few calls for relief and none came to the Mission with the hope

of mere material benefit. The saving fund, a banking system for the children attracted many depositors who had faith in the workers.

As in recent years, the work has been chiefly among women and children. With the help of Christian friends special meetings were held and social occasions which gave pleasure to many. During the summer of 1923 children were sent from the neighborhood to the country, where they were under Christian influence.

Hebrew-Christian ministers and workers in the city gave help in various ways in the meetings for Jewish women. Neighboring churches and their pastors showed a friendly spirit; one pastor gave us the use of the Sabbath School room for the holiday entertainment, and the Methodist-Episcopal Italian pastor permitted us to use the gymnasium of his church for a group of our boys. Two notable meetings were held with the help of Miss Cloris Aiken and her friends.

The following gave their services in the work of teaching at the Mission: Mrs. Jeanette Graham, Miss Sarah Archer, Miss Anna Thompson, Miss Isabel McFarland and Mrs. Robinson, besides also young men of the Philadelphia congregations who came to help on special occasions. The missionaries were encouraged by visits from Covenanter ministers and missionaries who passed through Philadelphia.

During the year Women Missionary Societies throughout the church have sent many generous gifts, especially material prepared for use in the sewing classes. These gifts, with many letters, show the interest of the women of the church in the work among the Jewish people. It has been a work of love for the Jew.

The Friday evening prayer meetings, which were a new feature last winter, showed an attendance and interest which gave encouragement. The presence of friends from the Philadelphia churches was inspiring, and both women and children looked forward to these meetings.

Contact with groups of boys of three nationalities gave a splendid opportunity to present Christ as their great Hero.

Emphasis has been laid on memorizing of the Scriptures and many passages have been learned. Thirteen copies of the New Testament in several languages—mostly Hebrew and Yiddish—were presented to the public library in the neighborhood. Many Gospels and tracts have been distributed.

The earnest Russian Christians who meet in the Mission Chapel each week say they "came to America to find GOLD and they found GOD." This is the privilege and opportunity of the Mission of the Covenant in Philadelphia to help new comers, all of whom largely come to America for material gain to find Christ the "PEARL" of greatest value. But let us not confine our work among the Jews to the field of the Jewish Mission, but may every Christian who meets a Jew tell him the glad story of Jesus, the promised Messiah.

The board has appointed Rev. Frank L. Stewart to represent it on the floor of Synod and before the co-ordinating committee.

The board asks $3,400 for the coming year.

The board asks Synod to have a few moments of prayer immediately following the reading of this report to ask God's blessing on the work of the Mission of the Covenant.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK L. STEWART, Secretary.

Synod took recess until 7:30 p. m. Prayer by elder John Fee.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Same place, 7:30 p. m.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by elder O. L. Samson. The calling of the roll was omitted. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

J. B. Gilmore, Chairman, submitted the report of the Committee on Theological Seminary, which was considered item by item. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Committee on Theological Seminary would respectfully report:

One paper has been referred to us, viz., the Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, with the exception of the financial items which have been referred to the Co-ordinating Committee.

Of the matters on which we are asked to report, the one calling for first mention and special gratitude, is the purchase during the past year of the fine and suitable building located at 7418 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, a mile from the Wilkinsburg church, for the future home of the Seminary. In these days when there are so many schools of every class, distinguished by beautiful buildings, the securing of a Seminary building so attractive to prospective students, and at such comparatively moderate cost, should be recognized as a special providence from the Head of the Church in a day of special need. We note with interest and deep appreciation in connection with the removing to, and furnishing the new building, the free service of transportation trucks given by F. F. Steele, W. J. Ward, and D. C. Ward, and the response of persons throughout the church to the requests for money for furnishings.

The class work of the Seminary during the past year, as shown in the report of the Superintendents, has been commendably wide in scope and thorough in character. We note the

practical training found in the taking of evangelistic trips by the students, accompanied by Mr. Steele to insure efficient singing. In this connection, we would call attention to the growing conviction in the church that more of definite evangelistic training should be given for the doing of definite evangelistic work. Special commendation should be expressed for the work of Mr. Steele which combines musical ability and love for the Psalms in such manner as to greatly help the cause of Psalm-singing.

Side by side with the encouragements to be found in the new building and the good work being done, there is one feature of the Seminary calling for concern and even searching of heart, viz., the strangely small number of students. The beautiful, finely equipped building can not accomplish the whole work of attracting young men to the gospel ministry, though it can be the means of doing something. By means of it the feeling that we had no Seminary of our own which may have hindered, at least temporarily, some young men from taking up the study for the ministry is now effectually removed. The words of Christ, "I, if I be lifted up, will draw," contain the real secret of how young men are to be led to take up the study for the ministry. It is by the ministry and membership of the church lifting up Christ through enlarged love for Christ, His Word, and the unsaved, and by enlarged appreciation of the coming ministry and the present ministry.

We recommend:

1. That we recognize with gratitude to the Head of the Church, the securing of the present Seminary building as a home for the Seminary and a New Covenant Memorial Building.

2. That the Seminary Board be directed to have prepared a cut of the New Seminary building, of suitable character and size, to be furnished at cost, for hanging in Young People's meeting places and other places as a means of keeping before the church in a wholesome way the unceasing call to the Gospel ministry.

3. That those who have in charge the preparation of the programs for the Young People's Conventions and Conferences of the present summer, arrange, wherever possible, for a special address on "The Gospel Ministry."

4. That F. M. Wilson, D. C, Mathews, and J. W. Anderson, whose terms as members on the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary expires at this meeting of Synod be elected their own successors.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GILMORE,
J. K. ROBB,
W. M. McNEEL,
T. L. FARIS,
J. F. CASKEY.

REPORT BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America:

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary respectfully reports:

The members of the Board appointed at the last meeting of Synod met at the call of the former President, W. J. Coleman, in the Treasurer's office, Pittsburgh, Pa., on March 17, 1924, and organized by electing W. J. Coleman President, J. B. Willson Secretary, and J. S. Tibby Treasurer. The officers of the Board were authorized to execute a power of attorney to empower the Treasurer to receive and to receipt for the mortgages of the John Heslip estate, amounting to $15,000, and to transfer them to Willard L. Stewart, from whom the Seminary building was purchased. The officers carried out this instruction.

The Board agreed to meet on the Monday before the regular annual meeting. The members were urged to visit the Seminary classes, and three of them did so before the close of the year.

The Monday meeting was held in the Treasurer's office. A plan was discussed for offering a course in the English Bible in the Seminary, to be open to those outside the Seminary who desire training in expository preaching or teaching. The examination papers of the students were divided among the members present for review before the next day's meeting. This is a new departure.

The annual meeting was held on Tuesday, May 6. All the ministerial members were present, and one of the three elders. The present officers were re-elected. The professors submitted their annual reports which were approved.

The Seminary year began on Tuesday, September 18, 1923 with a lecture by Professor McKnight on "What the Covenanter Ministry has to offer," delivered in the East End church. In November the special committee appointed by Synod to secure a permanent location purchased the former Durbin Horne home at 7418 Penn Avenue, not far from the line between the city and Wilkinsburg, and a mile from the Wilkinsburg church. Work was begun in the new building after Thanksgiving. The professors had charge of the moving. F. F. Steele, W. J. Ward and D. C. Ward furnished trucks and the students rendered efficient help. The professors and students canvassed the church for money for the furnishings. At the present time the building is in charge of a young couple who are under agreement with Synod's Board of Trustees to "assure the care of the building and grounds without cost to the Seminary further than the supplies necessary for the work." Rules for the government of the dormitory were approved by this Board so far as they were within our jurisdiction.

The enrollment was as follows:

Third year—David M. Russell, Paul D. White.

Second year—Wm. M. Doig.

First year—Paul D. McCracken.

Mr. McCracken is a graduate of Geneva College, class of 1922, a member of the Geneva, Pa., congregation, and is under the care of Pittsburgh Presbytery.

Class and examination grades were submitted by the professors for transmission to the Presbyteries concerned. The professors in their joint report announced the method of grading which they are following. Prof. McKnight calls attention to the fact that many of the students in recent years have come without any knowledge of the Greek language.

Mr. R. A. M. Steele has held his classes in the study of church music throughout the year. He has arranged his work so as to practice all the tunes of the Psalter in three years. In addition he has given time to voice culture and the reading of music. Mr. Steele accompanied the students in trips to Johnsonburg and Geneva college, where evangelistic meetings were held, and the claims of the ministry presented by the students.

Each student preached twice during the year before the professors, and once before the Board. According to the new constitution of the Seminary, the second series of sermons was on the distinctive principles of the Church. Two oral examinations were conducted before the Board, and the examination papers in the other subjects were reviewed by the Board. The sermons preached before the Board were criticized and approved. Wm. M. Doig was recommended to New York Presbytery for licensure. In the evening, President M. M. Pearce of Geneva College gave an address on the "The Deeper Satisfactions of the Ministry." Prof. Wylie presented certificates of graduation to the members of the graduating class.

The current account receipts were $5,296, and the expenses $7,306. The Memorial Building account receipts were $1,139, and the expenses $1,847. The matter of deficit in the Memorial Building account of $773.00 was referred to the purchasing committee of Synod.

The Board requests Synod to direct the Board of Control to pay to the Seminary account each year for the expenses of the building, $15 a month, or a total of $115 for each student in attendance, and to deduct this amount from the amount formerly paid to students for living expenses.

W. J. Coleman was appointed to represent the Seminary before the Co-ordinating Committee, and to ask for the current account $2,500 and for the Library $500.

The term of F. M. Wilson, D. C. Mathews, and J. W. Anderson as members of the Board expires at this meeting of Synod, and their successors should be chosen.

W. J. COLEMAN, President,
J. B. WILLSON, Secretary.

The following resolution offered by W. M. Robb was adopted:

Resolved that the Seminary Board be authorized to establish, if considered practicable, a short course for students

not necessarily candidates for the ministry, who desire to equip themselves for more effective service; and that, if undertaken, each congregation be solicited to send at least one representative.

The report of the Committee on Geneva College was read by the Chairman, T. C. McKnight, and taken up item by item. Pending consideration of this report, Synod adjourned until 8:00 a. m. tomorrow. Prayer by J. R. Latimer.

WEDNESDAY FORENOON.

WINONA LAKE, June 11, 1924, 8:00 a. m.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and was constituted with prayer by W. S. Fulton. The roll was called. Devotional exercises were conducted by E. K. Patton. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The Committees on Records of Presbyteries reported. The records of Central Canada and Pacific Coast were not present. The queries in the report on the records of Illinois Presbytery were stricken from the report and referred to the Presbytery and the Forward Movement Secretary. The reports were all approved and the proper entries ordered in the respective record books.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence was discontinued and its duties referred to the Forward Movement Secretary.

R. C. Reed submitted the report on the Sabbath, which was considered item by item. As adopted the report is as follows:

THE SABBATH.

Report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

The law of the Sabbath was written on the heart of man when he was created. It was renewed on the tables of stone on Sinai's granite rock. It was revitalized by Jesus Christ when he lived in the flesh. It is an institution of Divine Authority, and is indispensible to human society. It continues unchangeable with the progress of men. It is the basis of national prosperity. It is the safeguard of religious blessings. It is the defense of social order. It is the sign of Christian civilization.

From the very inception of our country, the Sabbath has been regarded as the bulwark of our civil and religious liberties. It has been accorded a prominent place in our civil laws. It has been held sacred by the Christian church.

America holds a leading place among the nations of the world today. She is strong, rich and prosperous. Those places that suffered beyond description recently from famine, earthquake, and war found a sympathetic and generous friend in America. The Sabbath had been embedded in the very heart of our people and they grew great and kind.

History shows that the forward movements of civilization have been in those places of the world where the Christian Sabbath has been recognized. "The past reveals to us national civilizations with marvels of art and literature and law, but lacking in moral character." Roger W. Babson recently declared;—"Civilizations of the past have risen, have achieved heights of material success, and then, gorged on the fruits of their own blind prosperity, have fallen into decay."

Today there is much unrest, international strife, and wrongdoing. Many are seeking their own selfish interests regardless of consequences. This would be changed if nations would "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy."

The Christian Sabbath is imperiled. It is bitterly attacked by the allies of evil. They claim that the Sabbath of the Bible is not the Sabbath of God. Some of them even "spurn all sense of responsibility to God. They would abolish the Sabbath and destroy the sanctity of religion."

Then the immigrants of the last twenty five years, so largely from the south and east of Europe, have brought with them their Continental Sunday, and many of their children know no Sabbath.

Added to these perils is the indifference of many Christian people. Some of these insist that the Sabbath morning with an hour for church is all that is needed, and that the rest of the day may be given to worldly recreation and amusement. They are losing their grip on the Sabbath. Its precious influences are slipping away.

God is pointing the way to save America, and possibly through her the world. The forces of righteousness must unite and throw all their strength in the struggle for law and order. The Sabbath law must be enforced. This is the supreme challenge of the hour. The issue is pressing the nation for a righteous solution.

The high moral forces of today are mightier by far than all the allies of evil. They will eventually triumph, and cannot possibly fail in America, if they do not delay till it is too late. In years gone by the friends of righteousness threw themselves into the struggle against human slavery, and won freedom for an oppressed race. They also entered earnestly into the struggle against the legalized saloon, and destroyed its blighting curse. If, today, they will unite in the struggle for the safeguarding of the Sabbath then we stand on the threshold of another great era of spirituality.

We have tried all manner of schemes and plans in our effort to solve the industrial problems; we have organized our councils and our courts and our parliaments in the effort to work out some world program whereby the barbarous and inhuman

practice of war will be done away; we have gone to untold expense and have taxed the people to the limit in order to maintain our armies and navies and build more diabolical serpents of the sea,—with what result? Other nations are doing the very same thing. We will never reach that great possibility of life in its truest and richest form in the ways we have employed!

Whether we are on the eve of a new renaissance or at the door of another dark age depends upon what we will do with our Sabbath. Let it have its rightful place and we can look forward hopefully.

"O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above.
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Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace."

We would recommend:

1. That our people be reminded to uphold the sacredness of the Sabbath Day.

2. That parents be urged to teach their children to keep the Sabbath.

3. That our ministers be called upon to arouse the loyalty of the people in support of the Sabbath in civil life.

4. That all the friends of righteousness be encouraged to unite in the struggle for the enforcement of the Sabbath laws in our civil statutes.

5. That the Lord's Day Alliance be commended for its untiring zeal in behalf of the Sabbath, and worthy of the sympathetic interest and liberality of all the friends of our Lord Jesus Christ.

6. Because of the peculiar situation in Pennsylvania and the imperative need of maintaining the state law, it is recommended that congregations in that State make their contributions to the Pennsylvania State Lord's Day Alliance.

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J. M. FOSTER,
F. L. STEWART,
GEO. A. McKEE,
R. A. M. STEELE.

J. M. Wylie submitted the report on Signs of the Times. Because of the peculiar excellence of the report and the value of the information which it contains, it was adopted as a whole and ordered printed in full in the Minutes, notwithstanding the fact that it exceeds the limit of length assigned to such reports. The report as adopted is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

There are two cardinal points from which to determine the latitude and longitude of a ship at sea; these are the sun and the horizon. It is not from the angry waves that beat upon his vessel that the captain determines his position but from the steady rim of the horizon.

There is unrest everywhere. In the political, social, economic and ecclesiastical world there are commotions and upheavals, the waters roar and are troubled, and the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Events of unparalleled importance are occurring with startling rapidity in many countries. If Armageddon means the final conflict, the World War may be regarded as the physical phase of the struggle; we are now seeing attempts made to effect moral and spiritual adjustments. Lloyd George appeals to the churches to create a new temper among men by which righteousness shall be placed above force as the only way to save the world from the deadlier world war now being threatened. The present Premier of Great Britain, J. Ramsay Macdonald, declares that never was ominous writing on a wall more plain than the events and tempers of today. Revolutions are the order of the day. These are not merely political. They extend to the social, economic and ecclesiastical worlds. Nor are they evil only. In many instances they fulfil the conditions described by Tennyson:

"The old order changeth giving place to new
And God fulfills himself in many ways
Lest one good custom should corrupt the world."

In Great Britain the historic parties that have governed the Empire for more than two centuries are displaced by a Labor Party which is pledged to reconstruct from the bottom the immemorial social system of England and Scotland. The alarm which was at first felt when this radical change took place is gradually changing to a feeling of confidence. Unlike many socialistic groups on the Continent the leaders of the British Labor Party are not only not anti-religious but are prevailingly Christian. A French publicist says these leaders are not different from the Salvation Army. The British Premier himself is an orthodox Scotch Presbyterian. Mr. Macdonald says he would like to see the old Scotch Sabbath established in the social order instead of the French one, and he declares that the only solution of social problems is in Christianity. On the Continent there are a few encouraging features even in the apparently hopeless confusion. Relations between Germany and the Allies, especially France, give some promise of peaceful solution. Bolshevism, though ungodly, indecent and defiant, has not been able to carry out its malicious program as it had plotted. Fascistism in Italy, though arbitrary in its method has secured benefits for the nation. While almost any change in Turkey may be considered as an improvement over the old order, yet we cannot regard the Nationalist Assembly now in control as an advanced step toward the kingdom of God. The Sultan has been banished on the theory that other free states do not harbor deposed monarchs. They have abolished

the caliphate, the Moslem civil and religious authority at Constantinople, because he was powerless to aid them in the world war, and because he was dictating to the civil government, but they have set up a government controlled by Mohammedanism and secularism. Friday has been declared the national rest day. Non-Moslem religious instruction is forbidden in both public and private schools, and non-Turkish citizens are forbidden to practice medicine in Turkey.

At our own national capitol astonishing disclosures have been made of corruption by men in high places, and the continued failure of our government to recognize the authority and leadership of Jesus Christ has made it possible for them not only to deny China its rightful place in the Disarmament Convention but also to insult Japan in the immigration bill so recently passed.

Turning to moral and social relations they are properly described as frightful. 133,000 American families were wrecked by divorce in one recent year, while in the last twenty years, 3,767,000 men and women secured divorces involving 5,500,000 minor children. The causes for this condition are to be ascribed to 'frivolous temper of the times, the dissemination of loose views, ridicule of the old fashioned virtues, the passion for luxury, pernicious incitements of modern fiction and drama, and above all the loss of the sense of God and of moral responsibility." The war against the liquor traffic passed the Hindenburg line with the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment. What may be regarded as among the last efforts of Satan to regain power appears in the unabashed tirade of the president of one of our leading universities. His utterances are in defiance of scientific, social and Christian truth. We do not reckon our bearings from the present disturbed surface of society but from the sober Christian convictions of the people of America who have given their voice for sobriety.

In the economic and industrial world, Professor T. N. Carver of Harvard says, "The only revolution worth naming today is that which is going on here in the United States, viz., that of the laboring people becoming capitalists. Great labor banks have recently been opened in New York, Cleveland, Chicago and elsewhere. One of these banks received 5 million dollars in deposits the first day, most of it from working men and working women. When Armour and Co. recently offered 50,000 shares of stock to its employees more than 40,000 persons subscribed. The amount offered was nowhere equal to the demand. Trade unions investing their money in industrial securities gain the right to be consulted in the management of business, and through collective bargaining get and save more money. The great value of Prohibition must also be noted here. The ownership of factories by workers is coming more rapidly in this country than in any other. What Lenine tried to hasten by violence and confiscation, but succeeded only in destroying, is coming by a healthy growth in America and, it is predicted, will permanently strengthen and sweeten the industrial life of the United States.

The greed of labor and of corporations has had a wholesome check by the Government's conviction of 41 mill work concerns, lumber dealers, constructors, and union carpenters on the charge of conspiracy to violate the Sherman anti-trust law through control of the Chicago market for sash, doors, etc. The conviction of trade unions is the remarkable feature. It imposes responsibility upon union labor for action which imposes an unfair burden upon others.

The purpose of the mariner is not only to ascertain the steady rim of the horizon but it is to determine his relation to the sun. It is when we come to study the religious tendencies of the times that we find the problem most difficult. The pronounced antagonism to Christianity by the Bolshevist government and by many socialists in all lands; the shocking desecration of the Sabbath in America and throughout the Christian world; the bold and un-Scriptural assertions of the Modernists; together with the appalling apathy of so many other professed Christians, give occasion to fear lest the world be drifting to destruction. The outlook however reveals a return to sober thought. We read of religious quickening in Germany. People are coming to meetings to hear "sin, guilt, conscience, and God's grace discussed; men of first rank and the younger theological world are turning from critical investigations to the theology of revelation: There is a quickened love among Christians; a conception of mighty power and greatness is pressing into the life of the church. German Christians seem to realize that the Lord is at the door. In Japan, Premier Kiyoura has summoned to a series of religious conferences the leaders in the Christian churches together with the chiefs of the Buddhist temples and the Shinto shrines to aid the government in "improving the conditions of national thought." We need not expect this to be a Westminster Assembly but it is said to be without parallel in Japanese history.

In New York, for the first time in the history of the world, Roman Catholic, Jewish, and Protestant leaders meet to seek to find a plan to teach religion to public school children as the only way to save them from corruption and outlawry. This conference is not cited as the best way to find a solution, but as indicating the fact that America is awakened to realize that religious instruction is vital and essential to the preservation of the American Republic. It is moreover encouraging that leaders in the International Sunday School Council of Religious Education and in the Council of Churches have so far abandoned their secular theory of civil government as to see the necessity of giving religious instruction in the public schools. To this we must add that the historic and constitutional American idea of Christian instruction is steadily gaining its original ascendancy and through the patient and persistent efforts of the National Reform Association, seven states now have compulsory Bible reading laws, and this movement is gathering force every year. We are beginning to see the steady rim of the horizon—that the Massachusetts code of 1650 extends to

the states carved out of the Northwest Territory, and to realize that we are not in such grave peril as the waves of secularism would have led us to imagine.

It is in the attitude of the world leaders toward the sovereignty of Jesus Christ that we are to find the real condition of the world. Quoting from a former report on the signs of the times it may be said that while the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man are held in popular, though un-Scriptural manner, the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ is equally rejected. We should recognize the growing acknowledgment of the leadership of Christ in civil affairs and that this principle is often in the mind of some who make recognition of God.

There is encouragement in the fact that the world is showing an eagerness and hunger for spiritual truth that have not been manifested in a long period of time. Books on religion are demanded on a scale never before recorded. Publishers are vying with each other in producing religious literature, and church news sometimes runs scandal off the front page of the newspapers. A life of Christ heads the roster of best sellers in the non-fiction class. The sales of Bibles in 1923 increased about 75 percent over 1922. This is considered to be an awakening from the careless indifference and sensual indulgence following the first two years after the war. The increase of crime and the spread of Bolshevism and general lawlessness have led to anxious inquiry as to how the nation and the world may be saved from a moral debacle. This anxiety in turn has led religious leaders to see the necessity for restoring the Bible and religious instruction to the public schools.

Our own denomination is seriously affected by the commercialism and love of pleasure so characteristic of our age. Spiritual apathy, formalism, and lack of personal work for salvation of others hinder fruitfulness. God is calling us to serious thought in the disabling and death of so many of our ministers. One member of this Committee, Dr. A. A. Samson, was suddenly called from his earthly service. Will we consecrate ourselves to the task of filling up our ranks? Our continued numerical decrease is not our most alarming symptom. There is a lack of faith to lay hold on Christ as our personal Redeemer. Our honored past and our sound principles will not supply the power necessary to convert the world. No church can conquer the world while subsisting on second-hand religion either in its worship or in its doctrine. Formalism in religion and partisanship in politics are at root the same kind of unbelief as the scientific skepticism of our times in that they make success depend on a human agency. We need a deeper sense of personal responsibility to our Lord Jesus Christ and a more profound spirit of loyalty to Him.

There is hope in the present growth of brotherliness, in the practical and aggressive activities in evangelism and in the political reform work of our Witness Committee. If we are successfully to meet the "youth crisis" of the present day we must adapt our methods to the necessities of our times while

at the same time we set before the world the ideals which Christ has given us.

We recommend: That the days of national thanksgiving in the United States and Canada, and Thursday of the Week of Prayer, be appointed respectively as days of thanksgiving and of humiliation and prayer to be observed by our congregations; and that our ministers and people be encouraged to use these days as occasions to consider seriously the times in which we are living that we may know what Israel ought to do.

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W. J. COLEMAN,
J. T. FINLEY.
ROBERT LUNEY.

The Committee on Geneva College submitted a revised report which was accepted as a substitute. President Pearce addressed the Synod on behalf of the College. After full discussion, the report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENEVA COLLEGE.

Your committee on Geneva College would respectfully report:

The reports of the Board of Corporators and the Board of Trustees of the college have been before your committee for consideration. The financial report of the treasurer and local treasurer of the college have also been before us. President Pearce and Mr. Tibby were asked to consult with your committee and furnish information concerning the reports thus submitted to your committee. President Pearce also submitted a departmental report showing the income and expenditures of each department accompanied with an estimated budget of these various departments for next year. These reports have been very carefully studied by your committee in consultation with President Pearce and Mr. Tibby. Several items of interest require special notice and recommendation.

Gratitude to God should be expressed for bringing Dr. M. M. Pearce to the presidency. We note with special thanksgiving his evident success the first year of his administration. We commend the Board of Trustees for their wisdom manifested in selecting a man of such ability and spirit to meet the problems confronting one chosen to this difficult position. He brought to his task a manly piety based on a keen sense of justice and obligation to deal fairly and squarely with the various constituencies of the college.

The board is also to be commended for its recognition of the "supreme importance of the moral and spiritual elements in education" by creating a committee to cultivate this phase of education and to enlist the students in definite Christian service. This constitutes a fundamental difference between the Christian College and the non-Christian. Let our aim ever be that it shall become more and more impossible for any one not a

Christian to go through Geneva College without becoming a Christian before graduation. And will the whole church not unite with the board and the faculty in prayer to this end?

We note with the highest approval the effort of the administration to install a "budget system of operating the college with the view of co-ordinating the receipts and the expenditures and eliminating the annual deficit. This is the only business basis of operation, since a college cannot continue its efficiency, or even its existence, by continually increasing its idebtedness.

The departmental report submitted to your committee by President Pearce, which he and the local treasurer prepared, shows in the first instance the itemized income and expenditure of the various departments. This analysis of the current operations enables the administration to determine whether there has been a gain or loss during the year. Opposite these figures the second column shows the estimated budget for next year. This report reveals a deficit in the operations of last year amounting to $15,986.71, which figure, however, contemplates the payment of all unpaid bills. Such deficit would be discouraging, indeed, were it not for this excellent departmental report and estimated budget. This analysis of the year's operations reveals that the larger part of the deficit occurred in the athletic department on account of repairs on athletic field, high salaries, low gate receipts and other athletic contracts.

It is due the present administration to note publicly that the instructions of Synod concerning professionalism were not carried out this year on account of contracts having been made by the preceding administration which could not honorably be broken. We note with great satisfaction that Geneva, under the leadership of the president and graduate manager of athletics took the initiative in the organization of a Tri-State Athletic Conference on a non-professional basis. This is designed to eliminate professionalism, not only from Geneva, but also from all the colleges in the conference. The enforcement of the conference regulations together with definite reductions in salaris of coaches and the graduate manager will greatly reduce the deficit next year and will probably eliminate it altogether.

The marked increase in the attendance to the largest in Geneva's history is both a call to thanksgiving and a challenge to the college. It is a source of deep gratitude that so many young people outside the membership of our church choose Geneva as their college. It is noteworthy that approximately 80 per cent of the students this year are from other denominations. This affords an excellent opportunity for Geneva to witness to the truth. However, the Covenanter student being so much in the minority creates a real problem and challenge to the college, since it thus becomes more difficult to maintain and stimulate such spiritual morale that will constantly commend Geneva to the Covenanter parent as the best college for our young people.

We express gratitude to God for His good providence in so large a measure restoring Dr. Robert Clarke to health and strength. He is to be highly commended for his excellent work

during the year, which resulted in such large contributions to the college.

The Board of Trustees has our approval for the manner in which they have continued the $400,000 campaign which has yielded the college $115,501.60 in cash, $161,376.91 in unpaid pledges, or a grand total of $276,878.51; which together with a gift of land valued at $21,000 makes a grand total of $297,878.57. We are grateful to God for these gifts to the college. The board is to be congratulated in securing the services of Dr. J. S. Martin for this important work.

The report of the Board of Corporators refers to your committee the question of the transfer of the title to the real estate of the college and the transfer of all the endowment fund. This problem is far more complex than appears on the surface. Synod through its Board of Trustees holds the title to all real estate and all endowment funds of the college. It would seem on first thought that Synod, therefore, could authorize this transfer and simply order that it be made. But this evidently cannot be done except in harmony with the charter of Synod's Board of Trustees. This charter was secured in 1871 by special act of the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania. It does not seem to your committee that this transfer can be effected except by changing the charter of the Synod's Board of Trustees, which seems to require a special act of the legislature of the state. In addition to this it is to be noted that the charter of Geneva College expressly provides that the "corporation shall have power to purchase or take by gift, grant or otherwise, and hold and transfer such real and personal property as its objects and purposes may require not exceeding the amount limited by law." The charter further provides that "the corporation and its affairs and business shall be managed by a board of trustees."

This means that if the title to the property, both real and personal, should be vested in the Board of Corporators its control and management will be in the hands of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College.

Therefore, it seems to your committee that a better solution of this problem would lie in the transfer of the title to the real estate only, and under the same restrictions as now govern Synod's Board of Trustees as to mortgaging or selling the property without the consent of Synod.

It is our conviction that the endowment funds now held by Synod's Board of Trustees should not be transferred, and that contributions of any kind made by the church or by members of the church in the future should go to Synod's Board of Trustees as heretofore under the ruling of Synod, unless otherwise designated by the donors. But we see no reason why contributions of any kind made by those who are not members of the Covenanter Church should not be held and invested by the College Board of Trustees.

We believe also that Synod's Board of Trustees should keep the funds of Geneva College as a separate investment, so that the securities of the college will not be involved with other

securities held by this board, and may be exhibited apart from the other funds of the church.

Your committee believes further that the objection of the General Education Board to giving to a church board may be met by the College Corporation making its application for a grant of money in the name of the corporation, and with the provision that if such grant be made it be made to Geneva College, not to Synod's Board of Trustees.

We recommend:

1. That we most highly commend the administration for the fine Christian spirit of wisdom and fairness which has characterized the work of the year, for the adoption of a budget system with the purpose of co-ordinating income and expenditures and eliminating the deficit; and for such courageous leadership as is evident in the initiative taken in the formation and organization of the Tri-State Athletic Conference for the regulation of inter-collegiate contests.

2. That the attorney of the Board of Corporators and the attorney for Synod's Board of Trustees be instructed to study the problem of the transfer of the college real estate only and advise their respective boards as to its legal possibility, and if possible according to law, then the boards be authorized and instructed to make the transfer with the provision that the charter of the college, Section 6, last paragraph, be amended by adding the following: "But in no case shall said corporation have power to mortgage or sell the real estate without the consent of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America."

3. That the endowment funds of the college be not transferred, and that Synod's Board of Trustees be directed to keep the funds of Geneva College as a separate investment, so that the securities of the college will not be involved with other securities held by this board, and may be exhibited apart from the other funds of the church.

4. We commend the Board of Trustees and the Faculty of the college for the recognition given to the spiritual elements in education and urge them "to continue to do everything within their power to develop the spiritual life of the college, to maintain and elevate its moral standards and to lead young men and women in the college to consecrate their talents and lives to distinctly Christian service, and that special efforts be made to lead young men to enter the Christian ministry that our own church especially and other churches also may have able and consecrated young men to preach the gospel of Christ."

5. That R. A. Blair and President Pearce be heard by Synod on behalf of the college.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. McKNIGHT,
O. F. THOMPSON,
F. F. READE,
ANDREW POLLOCK.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

The Board of Corporators would respectfully report:

We have held our regular annual meeting and several adjourned meetings in which we have given careful consideration to the interests of the college.

The following officers of the board were elected for the ensuing year:

Alexander Kilpatrick—President.
J. M. Coleman—Vice President.
George M. Robb—Secretary.
Jas. S. Tibby—Treasurer.

R. J. G. McKnight was chosen by Pittsburgh Presbytery as his own successor on the board. W. J. McKnight was chosen by New York Presbytery to succeed himself. Chas. T. Carson was again chosen to represent Colorado Presbytery, and F. E. Allen was reappointed from Central Canada Presbytery. R. C. Wylie. A. Kilpatrick, George A. McKee and T. A. Boyd were re-elected by the Corporators for a term of three years

The report of the Board of Trustees of the college was approved and ordered transmitted to Synod. Their report shows the largest enrollment this year in the history of the college. including all departments. The same Board of Trustees was chosen as served last year with a few changes.

J. Walker Wilson was chosen in place of J. F. McKee, and Eugene Hoops instead of W. A. Harbison.

The matter of the transfer of title to invested funds and real estate from Synod's Board of Trustees to the Board of Corporators of Geneva College is herewith brought to the consideration of Synod.

GEO. M. ROBB, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

To the Board of Corporators of Geneva College:

Your Board of Trustees would respectfully report that we have held five meetings during the year and have endeavored to discharge faithfully the duties falling to our lot in the oversight of the college. Owing to the radical change in the constitution of the board, a majority of the members were entirely unfamiliar with the details of the work of the college. and owing to the scattered condition of the members. extending from New Jersey to Kansas, it has been impossible for all the members to be present at every meeting.

However, through the plan adopted at our first meeting of sending a complete copy of the minutes of each meeting to each member of the board the members have all been kept in close touch and fully informed as to the business of the board. A similar copy of our minutes having been sent your secretary after each meeting it will not be necessary for us to report our

actions so fully as has been the custom. We trust that this method of laying the complete minutes of all our meetings before your board will result in a fuller understanding and more sympathetic co-operation between the two boards.

At our first meeting we found the college without a head and addressed ourselves to the serious business of choosing a president. Realizing to what an extent the welfare of the college depended upon this choice, it was made a matter of earnest prayer that we might be wisely guided. We have every reason to believe that our prayers were answered, not only in the unanimity and good-will with which the choice was made, but also in the remarkable success which has attended the administration through the year. Dr. Pearce took charge of the work at the beginning of the school year and from the first has manifested a comprehensive grasp of the situation, and an ability to meet the problems confronting him, which has elicited the admiration of all those at all acquainted with the magnitude of the task. Dr. Pearce's frank and courteous treatment of all has entirely disarmed prejudice and won the sympathy and good-will of the entire constituency of the college. He has won unstinted praise from those who have labored with and under him in the various departments. We trust that the past year has been but the auspicious beginning of a long and successful presidency.

Recognizing the supreme importance of the moral and spiritual elements in education the board at its first meeting appointed a Committee on Spiritual Resources, with Dr. T. M. Slater as chairman. This committee has striven to enlist the whole church in the prayer support of the college, as well as to hold spiritual ideals before the students and to enlist them in definite Christian service.

At the suggestion of President Pearce the board provided for a survey of the teaching of the college that any weaknesses might be discovered and remedied. Arrangements for such a survey are in progress. The board also chose a business manager for the college in the hope of installing the budget system, co-ordinating receipts and expenditures, and eliminating the annual deficit. Unfortunately the one chosen, while giving part of his time for awhile to the financial campaign, did not see his way clear to accept the office as a permanent position. Other plans are being worked out to meet this need.

Changes in Faculty.

Some new names appear in the list of teachers. Prof. J. C. Twinem was secured to fill the place made vacant by the death of Prof. H. H. Wylie. Dr. William Cleland took the place of Prof. Colwell. Prof. Paul R. Cutright that of Prof. A. H. Wilson, and Prof. W. H. Seawright that of Mrs. McConagha.

Adjustments have been made for the coming year whereby Prof. A. C. Edgecombe assumes the duties of graduate manager, and Prof. Cutright becomes coach of basketball and track. This arrangement will effect a considerable saving in salaries. The duties of dean of women having proved too much to be effici-

ently administered by one person having other work in college, arrangements are being made to secure the services of two women who will be able to do some work in other departments and also divide the supervision of the dormitory between them. Prof. Coon has been granted a year's leave of absence for study, and A. Lloyd Taylor, M. A., engaged to fill his place. Mr. Sack, who was assistant coach of football last year, has been employed as coach for next year at a salary of $2,500, which is $500 less than was paid last year, and the position of assistant coach was eliminated, saving an additional $500.

Through the efforts of Dr. Pearce and Graduate Manager Ewing a Tri-State Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association was formed on a non-professional basis, thus carrying out the instructions of last Synod.

Morale.

Of the morale of the school the president says: "The spirit of the entire school during the year has been excellent. All the teachers have given their best efforts to their work and have labored in a congenial way together. The students, also, have manifested the same spirit, and the work of the year has gone forward in an inspiring way." After speaking of the usual religious activities of the school the president's report also bears witness to the profound impression made upon the students by the special services held in April under the leadership of Rev. W. M. Robb.

Attendance.

The report of the Registrar shows the following attendance for the year:

Extension division	459
Summer school	284
Day school	307
School of music	138
School of public speaking	96
Total	1,284
Deduct for names repeated	238
Net total	1,046

The graduating class consists of 53 members, who are candidates for the following degrees:

Bachelor of Arts	42
Bachelor of Science	11
Bachelor of Oratory	1
Certificate in Music	2

Seventeen members of the class, eleven men and six women, are from Covenanter homes.

Inter-Collegiate Contests

The Geneva orator won first place in the Western Pennsylvania Oratorical Association Contest, and fourth place in the Inter-State Divisional Contest. The Boys' Debating Team was

successful in only one of their contests, but the Girls' Team won three out of four of their debates. The Football Team engaged in nine games, winning six and one ending in a scoreless tie. The Basketball Team played nineteen games, of which seven were won; four of the games had to be decided in extra-period playing. The team scored a total of 498 points to 485 for their opponents. There were four track meets. Geneva lost two, tied W. & J. and beat Westminster 74 to 48.

Report of Treasurer.

The report of Treasurer James S. Tibby, dated April 15, 1924, shows total endowment of $314,806.76, an increase for the year of $22,064.58. The current account is overdrawn $40,308.50, which is $3,312.26 less than last year. The mortgage indebtedness amounts to $106,500. The report lists the real estate value of the college property as $70,000, and the buildings as $565,000. It is interesting to note that a recent appraisment by the Beaver Falls Real Estate Board makes these figures $129,000 and $605,100, respectively, or a total valuation $99,100 higher than that carried on the books of our treasurer.

Notwithstanding his absence on vacation during the early months of the year, and a serious operation from the effects of which he has not yet fully recovered, Dr. Robert Clarke, as financial agent, reports the best year but one in his fifteen years' experience in this work. His report is as follows:

Cash contributions	$28,924.67
Pledges and promises	13,390.77
Furniture, etc.	61.90
Total	$42,377.34

$400,000 Campaign.

At the close of his work on March 15, 1924, Rev. T. C. McKnight, Chairman of the $400,000 Campaign, reported total collections of $98,347.26 in cash and $75,826.25 in pledges, or a grand total of $174,174.11. Since that date Dr. J. S. Martin has been in charge of the campaign, though having assisted in it from the latter part of January. Dr. Martin's report is dated May 15, and shows the following additional sums: $17,104.34 in cash and $85,550.66 in pledges, or $102,655 in all. Combining the two reports we find that the campaign has yielded up to May 15, 1924, $115,501.60 in cash and $161,376.91 in pledges, or a grand total of $276,878.51. To this should be added a gift of land valued at $21,000, so that the campaign to date approximates $300,000. A thorough organization has been effected in the Beaver Valley, though only a small part of the actual canvass has been carried out, so that large returns may yet be expected from this source. The chairman expresses the confidence that the full amount of the goal set can be easily reached. The expense of the campaign to date has been about 5 per cent of the amount raised. Dr. J. S. Martin has been employed by the board to continue the campaign.

The board voted to confer the degree of Doctor of Divinity on Rev. J. C. Slater, Rev. E. A. Crooks, Rev. J. H. Pritchard and Rev. H. Alford Boggs; and the degree of Doctor of Science on Mr. J. Jay Dunn. The action of the board last year in voting the degree of Doctor of Laws on ex-Senator Frank J. Cannon was reaffirmed.

Rev. R. A. Blair was appointed to represent the board before the Co-ordinating Committee and instructed to ask for an appropriation of $20,000. President M. M. Pearce and R. A. Blair were named to represent the board before the Board of Corporators and on the floor of Synod.

In closing our report the board wishes to record its profound gratitude to God for the manifest blessings of the year. Our meetings have been pleasant and harmonious and marked by an earnest desire for the best interests of the college. We have striven to carry out the instructions of Synod and of your board. Any failure to measure up to the full extent of our responsibility must be attributed to the limitations under which we have labored and not to any want of willingness or zeal on our part.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. MATHEWS, Secretary.

The Chairman, E. A. Crooks, read the report of the Committee on National Reform, which was taken up item by item. J. S. McGaw addressed the Court on behalf of the National Reform Association. As adopted the report is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL REFORM.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The Committee on National Reform would respectfully report. The report of the Covenanter members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association and the report of Synod's Financial Agent have been referred to us. The net receipts for the year were $186,500.

An important change in the administration of the association was made. The charter was amended, placing the control of the organization in a board of twenty-seven directors. No change was made in the great purpose of the association.

After fifteen years of indefatigable labor Dr. Jas. S. Martin retired from the general superintendency. During this period the annual receipts have grown from about $6,000 to approximately $200,000. The working force has been multiplied many times. The Christian Statesman has grown in size and increased in influence and is today frequently quoted by such publications as the Literary Digest.

The work of the association has been vigorously prosecuted in most every state in the Union. Great conferences have been held. These fifteen years have marked an epoch in the organization.

According to the report submitted to us, the past year has

been one of large achievements. The Consultation Conference, held at Winona last July, was a gathering of worldwide influence.. Vigorous campaigns have been conducted in a number of states on behalf of the Bible in the schools. The one in Kentucky resulted in a mandatory law.

The opportunities before the association are greater than ever before in its history. We bid the organization Godspeed in its great mission, and trust that it will go on to ever increasing achievements.

We recommend:

1. That the request of Jas. S. Tibby to be released from the office as Synod's financial agent for the association be granted.
2. That the request of the committee reporting to us that we approve the continuance of Jas. S. McGaw, J. R. Wylie and R. H. Martin in the employ of the Association be approved.
3. That $10,000 be named as a guide to our people in their giving.
4. That J. S. McGaw be heard on behalf of the work.

Signed:

E. A. CROOKS,
WILL R. COOK,
J. W. WYLIE,
E. K. PATTON,
WALTER McCARROLL.

REPORT OF THE COVENANTER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

Only one power on earth will save the nations of this world. This is the Civic Gospel in action. This Gospel we preach. For this purpose was the National Reform Association organized. For this has it received the prayers and the support of God's people during the sixty-one years of its existence. To this great purpose it is bound by the most solemn pledge and obligation.

Opportunity.

Whirling events, national catastrophies and distracted statesmanship have furnished the world crisis which has brought the people of our own and other lands to their wits' end, and, dazed, they are seeking the way out. This is the day predicted by the fathers of the movement, and the present generation can enter in and possess the land for Jesus Christ if it will.

While iniquity seems to have come in like a flood, the Spirit of God is also abroad in the land. Never before have we had a better hearing of Christ's claims than this year. Never before was there greater spiritual response to our appeal. Never before was there greater encouragement for the organized forward movement of all friends of the crowned Christ than at this moment.

This is the day our fathers saw and were glad. The resolute loyalty with which the Covenanter Church supported the

great Gospel through years of neglect and contumely stands as heroic history for our church. The fidelity and sacrifice of the years constitute an undying heritage for Covenanters. The blessing which now comes should be an inspiration to increased loyalty. Our day has arrived.

Organization.

Grateful to God for all the blessings bestowed and realizing the responsibility of meeting with efficiency the opportunities of this new day the association has been reorganized. The amendment to our charter was applied for and granted, which provides for twenty-seven members on the Board of Directors instead of twelve as formerly. The Covenanters on the new Board of Directors are: R. M. Downie, James S. Martin, James S. McGaw, R. W. Redpath, James S. Tibby and R. C. Wylie. The Board of Directors now meets each month and makes a complete review of the work done and proposed by the various departments. Some needed changes were made in the Constitution and By-Laws, which have already proved their value.

There are three departments active in the work of the association: the Department of Administration, the Department of Publication and the Department of Field Work. This greatly simplifies the management.

James S. Martin, for fifteen years general superintendent, was relieved of the responsibilities of his office last December, and the new board appointed a committee on management with James S. McGaw, General Secretary, as Acting General Superintendent until a successor to Dr. Martin is secured.

The resignation of Dr. B. L. Scott, Manager of the Department of Field Work, was accepted by the Board of Directors and this department was turned over to the Acting General Superintendent and his assistant, David M. McFarland.

Field Work.

Twenty-six states of the Union have been reached by our speakers during the year and thousands of addresses have been delivered. Special campaigns for the Bible in the public schools have been conducted in Ohio, Michigan, Iowa and Kentucky. In the last named state a notable victory was achieved. A mandatory law was passed by the legislature and the bill signed by the governor. The Sabbath, marriage and divorce, Mormonism and law enforcement have received their full share of attention by our speakers in various states.

By far the most notable event of the year was the revival of allegiance to the doctrine of Christ's Kingship which has been manifested. By joint action of the Committee on Publication and the Committee on Field Work and later by the Board of Directors, a legislative program was adopted which definitely reaffirms the Christian Amendment as the major object of the Association and rates the various other causes as the minor objects. The call to national repentance and submission to the King is being sounded from shore to shore with renewed zeal and encouraging success.

Publication.

Millions of pages of literature have been judiciously distributed and have gone forth for the healing of the nation. A number of new tracts and pamphlets have been put on the press. This part of our work has an educational and accumulative value of very high importance.

The Department of Publication with Hon. Frank J. Cannon as Chairman has jurisdiction over all documents issued by the association and over the publication of the Christian Statesman. Recently the Christian Statesman featured the Christian Amendment as a national Confession of Faith, and accompanying it was a coupon to be filled out by readers and forwarded to our office. Of all the replies received from the press and by personal letter, nine out of ten were favorable. Many far outside of the Covenanter body have not only subscribed themselves, but have forwarded their checks that their friends might have the privilege of reading a magazine which is campaigning America for Jesus Christ as the governor of the nation. The growing influence of the Christian Statesman is evidenced in the manner in which it is being quoted by all classes of periodicals.

Protestant Unification.

As a means of approach to popular audiences with the great Gospel of the Kingship of Christ, the Christian Statesman and many of our speakers are projecting the idea of Protestant unification. This has had the approval of the Board of Directors, and it seems to win enthusiastic approval if we may judge from the response of audiences and the number of signed coupons, now running into thousands, which have reached the Christian Statesman. The magazine and our speakers place national repentance and submission to Jesus Christ the King as the very first of the great Protestant doctrines, so that the Protestant unification movement is a direct contribution to the promotion of the basic principles of the association. In this Protestant unification it is not suggested that new organization shall be effected, but that all Protestants, organized and unorganized, shall be united in support of the Protestant institutional life and the promulgation of the great Protestant doctrine throughout the country.

Summer Assemblies.

The greatest summer assembly ever held by the Association convened at Winona Lake, Indiana, July 1-8, 1923. Speakers of note from home and foreign lands gathered for prayer and consultation, addressed large audiences throughout eight days. The master theme of the whole program was the authority of Jesus Christ over the nations. An accumulative presentation of the Civic Gospel, culuminating in "The International Christ" on the closing night was the outstanding characteristic noted by all who attended. Thousands went away with the call of the King in their hearts.

An assembly held at Stony Brook, Long Island, in August, while not so extensive, was a good introduction and opened the way for the future.

Headquarters.

It is wholly unnecessary to burden this report with a presentation of the detail of our routine work at the office. In accordance with the policy of bringing the expenditure within the income a number of very important changes have been made. The business department of the Christian Statesman has been merged with the department of collections under one management, and this, with new systems which have been adopted, will mean a saving of thousands of dollars annually. By it we have been able to dispense with two office rooms and several clerks.

Prayer.

Each day the work at the national headquarters is begun and closed by the assembly of all the workers for prayer. Success is assured, not by might nor by power, but by the Spirit of God. We earnestly beseech the prayers of the whole church.

This report would not be complete without recording our sorrow over the loss of our beloved Dr. Arthur A. Samson, who during the year was called to meet the King. Dr. Samson had done efficient field work in both booking and speaking in various states of the Union and for some time had the management of the Regional Headquarters at Los Angeles, California. We knew him as a genuine Christian gentleman and sincerely devoted to the great cause which he espoused. His life and works are an inspiration to those who remain. His family, the whole church and his congregation have our deepest sympathy.

The Future.

The bush in the desert burned and was not consumed because God was in the bush. The association through more than half a century has had its trials by fire, but has not been consumed, because God is in the movement.

Facing the future we have reason to believe that, under God, plans now under way for the enlargement of our work will be successful. To meet these plans we ask the support of God's people during the coming year.

We would respectfully request:

1. That Synod approve of the engagement in the work of the National Reform Association of J. Renwick Wylie, Renwick H. Martin and James S. McGaw.

2. That the sum of $15,000 be named as a guide to our coming year.
people in making their contributions to this cause during the

3. That the General Secretary, James S. McGaw, be heard in behalf of the association and its work.

R. W. REDPATH,
JAMES S. TIBBY.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

December 1st., 1922 to December 1st., 1923.

Balance in hand December 1st, 1922		$ 212.88

Receipts.

Sale of Literature	$ 563.20	
Dividends and Interests	2,996.94	
Offerings from Congregations	4,058.99	
Individual Contributions	3,048.39	
Fourth W. C. C. C.	218.00	
Cash Offerings at meetings and pledges paid	122,297.55	
Subscriptions to Christian Statesman through Secretaries	13,468.00	
Subscriptions direct to Christian Statesman	4,673.95	
Christian Statesman General	421.00	
Cash Offerings received C. S. speakers	5,131.16	
Memorial account	100.00	
Winona Conference	9,552.96	
Gulf Oil Stock recalled	5,175.00	
Dry Federation	307.10	
Money Borrowed	15,175.00	
Secretaries belated reports	115.03	
Bonds Sold	19,490.00	
		$206,792.27
		$207,005.15

Expenses.

Office Rent	$ 3,596.35	
Office Salaries	7,849.29	
Postage	3,819.49	
Supplies, Literature and Printing	8,241.08	
Salaries and expenses, Bookers, Superintendents and speakers	133,757.97	
Printing Christian Statesman	15,585.04	
Interests	426.86	
Sundries	2,856.46	
Office Furniture	921.09	
Winona Conference	10,144.61	
Repaid Loans	18,175.00	
Fourth W. C. C. C.	61.66	
Anti Polygamy Crusaders	9.00	
Dry Federation	745.32	
		$206,189.22
Balance in hand November 30th, 1923		$ 815.93
		$207,005.15

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Synod took recess until 1:30 p. m. Prayer by elder George E. Aikin.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Same place, 1:30 p. m.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by elder J. M. Milligan. The roll call was omitted. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

O. F. Thompson submitted the report on Bible Reading. The report as adopted follows:

REPORT ON BIBLE READING.

Synod's Committee on Bible Reading would respectfully report:

Something over four thousand Daily Bible Readers were sold this year; also about seven dozen Bible Memorizing Folders and one hundred Yearly Bible Readers. Thirty-three diplomas were granted for the Daily Readers, and four for completing the Bible in one year.

As in former years a letter was sent to each congregation of the Church, urging the use of the Bible Readers and that an attempt be made to bring them into general use among the members as well as among outsiders in the neighborhood.

There were not so many Readers called for this year as the year before. This seemed to be because congregations were cutting down their orders as nearly as possible to the number that would be called for. Some congregations failed to order as in former years, and others were so slow in ordering that they could not be sent by the first of the year.

Two hundred and fifty Daily Bible Readers were ordered by the Churches in Ireland. This was the first order received by the Committee.

Financial—		
Printer's bill	$103.36	
Postage and other expense	10.02	
Deficit from 1923	11.00	
		$124.38
Receipts from Daily Bible Readers	109.85	
Receipts from Yearly Readers	4.35	
		$114.20
Deficit		$ 10.18

We recommend:

That a special interest be taken by the pastors in the work of this Committee, in urging the use of the Readers upon those by whom the Bible is not read regularly without them, and in

looking after the ordering of the Readers at the proper time.

That the Yearly Readers—the Blue and Gold backed Reader, be used more largely through the Church. A special blessing and an enlarged pleasure is promised to those who read through in a year. Those who have done so already are free to express their appreciation of the pleasure and profit derived from the exercise.

That the receipts from the sale of the Yearly Readers be allowed to go in with those from the Daily Readers to help make up the deficit, and that the balance of the deficit be carried over to next year.

Signed by all the members of the Committee,

OWEN F. THOMPSON,
BOYD A. WHITE,
JOHN L. PATTERSON.

The last Sabbath of November was made the day for taking the offering for the Bible Societies.

The appointment of a fraternal delegate to the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church to meet at Kalamazoo, Michigan, June 18, 1924, was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

At the request of the Central Board, Kansas Presbytery was authorized to ordain Paul D. White to the gospel ministry for service in the Indian Mission.

J. W. Anderson, Chairman, submitted the report on the Traveling Fund. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT ON TRAVELING FUND.

Your Committee on Traveling Fund would respectfully report:

Expense of 137 participating delegates	$4,077.26
Quota received from congregations	3,675.50
Deficit paid by delegates, $2.93 each,	401.41
Balance	.35

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that the quota be raised to sixty cents per member instead of fifty cents, the present rate. J. W. ANDERSON, Chairman.

W. J. McKnight submitted the report of the Committee on Discipline, which was considered item by item. The report as adopted is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE.

Your Committee on Discipline would respectfully report:

The following papers have been placed in our hands—concerning which your Committee would make the accompanying recommendations:

1. Paper No. 20, concerning the ordaining of a deacon previously ordained as an Elder.

Answer: A deacon previously ordained as an elder is not to be re-ordained. Ordination to the higher office is inclusive of ordination to the lower.

2. Paper No. 26, a Memorial from Hopkinton, Iowa, concerning a modified oath.

Answer: The frequency with which the question of the civil oath of office comes before the Synod is indicative of an attitude or frame of mind which is by no means uncommendable; it discloses the fact that our people mean to be faithful, and yet at the same time are anxious to participate in the civic affairs of our country, up to the very limit which loyalty to Christ will permit. With respect to the specific form in which the question is brought before us in the present memorial, there is nothing particularly new. The crux of the matter, as set forth in the request, centers in the wording. It is to be remembered, however, that there are some things deeper than the wording. The integrity of the officer who administers the oath ought to be just as sacred to us as our own loyalty in taking or in refusing to take it. No modification of the oath, therefore, ought to be asked for or accepted by us which would require the officer who administers it to be unfaithful to his own oath. Only the power that originally prescribes the oath and interprets it, has the legal authority to modify it. It becomes imperative, therefore that we shall appeal in every instance to that department of the government which may have the right to deal with the question of modification at its source, so that the modification, if made, may have the seal of proper authority. In this way, the matter of the wording of any modification will be of rather subordinate importance, and may safely be left to the wisdom of those who are undertaking to meet situations as they arise.

3. Paper No. 27, concerning certificates.

Answer: First. With respect to issuing certificates to such as have removed from one congregation into the bounds of another—it is the sense of Synod that, in the absence of substantial reasons to the contrary, a certificate shall be forwarded within a year to the person who has removed, and a duplicate to the Session where the settlement has been made, whether the certificate has been asked for or not.

Second. With respect to certificates and the students' aid fund—all financial obligations to this fund shall be regarded as cancelled after four years of service in the Reformed Presbyterian Church. Furthermore, this provision is intended to be retroactive.

Third. With respect to what constitutes a quorum in any congregation, the judgment of Synod is that each congregation should determine for itself the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum, but that in cases where this step has not been taken, the quorum shall consist of the persons present

at any particular meeting, provided always, that the members of the congregation shall have been properly notified.

4. Paper No. 28, concerning the Memorial from Colorado Presbytery as to the revising of congregational rolls.

Answer: Membership rolls of congregations should be corrected and revised each year for the annual statistical report to Synod, on the basis of the facts as they exist at the time.

5. Paper No. 31, concerning Greek Baptism.

Answer: Inasmuch as this matter has been before Synod repeatedly, and all the deliverances rendered have been of a uniform character, and, inasmuch as no new information has been brought before us in the present paper, Synod is of the opinion that no further action is necessary, and directs that the paper be returned to the author.

6. Paper No. 37, concerning the participation of the deacons in the work of Synod and on certain Boards.

Answer: Inasmuch as this is a new departure and will be likely to call out a somewhat lengthy discussion, the consideration of this matter be laid over until the next meeting of Synod. Meanwhile, in order that the proposal may be available for reference and study during the coming year, Synod orders that the report be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

7. Concerning Barnesville. Since Barnesville now belongs to the jurisdiction of New York Presbytery, this whole situation is the concern of the Presbytery, and is so disposed of.

W. J. McKNIGHT,
ROBERT PARK,
A. A. WYLIE,
W. W. TWINAM,
G. E. AIKIN.

Synod set apart one-half hour for a memorial service for deceased ministers and others prominent in the Church's work. J. B. Tweed read the memorial for T. J. Allen, and C. A. Dodds that for A. A. Samson. After singing a portion of the Sixteenth Psalm, Synod engaged in a season of prayer. The memorials were adopted as read, and W. J. Coleman was named to prepare a minute on the death of J. W. Pritchard to be published in the Minutes of Synod.

THOMAS JOHN ALLEN.

Thomas John Allen, son of Robert and Jane Wilson Allen, was born in Finley, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, June 18, 1848. He received his early education in what is now Grove City College, Grove City, Pennsylvania, and was graduated from Westminster College, in 1871. He entered the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary and was licensed to preach by Pittsburgh Presbytery, April 15, 1874. On November 11, 1875, he was ordained by Rochester Presbytery and installed pastor of the Sterling, New York congregation. He continued to minister to the peo-

ple of Sterling until June 1, 1887. During the following six years he spent most of the time traveling and lecturing and many friends of the church were privileged to hear his lectures on the Hebrew Tabernacle. He constructed the model of the Tabernacle which he carried with him on these lecture tours. Partly in recognition of his studies in this particular phase of Old Testament worship, he was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Wheaton, June 16, 1916.

In 1893, Mr. Allen was called to the pastorate of the Sterling, Kansas, Reformed Presbyterian Congregation, where he continued his ministry for ten years. In 1903 he came with his family to make his home in Beaver Falls. During his residence in Beaver Falls, he traveled extensively in the United States and Canada. He spent the summer of 1908 visiting and lecturing in the British Isles. His impressions of the country, people and customs were fresh and interesting.

On August 28, 1877, Mr. Allen was united in marriage to Miss Nannie J. Ramsey of Oakdale, Illinois. On Friday afternoon, January 18, 1924, he passed over to enjoy the "Summer and Sabbath of the Everlasting Country." His wife and four children tarry behind. The children are, Claud R. of Columbiana, Ohio; J. Myron, of Mercer, Pennsylvania; R. Raymond of Detroit, Michigan, and Mrs. A. A. Wylie of Syracuse, New York. Synod extends their sympathy to these friends in their sorrow.

Mr. Allen always maintained an active interest in the work of the congregation where he worshipped. He was a warm friend of the pastors under whose ministry he sat, and always had a word of cheer and encouragement in times of perplexity. Mr. Allen had an intelligent grasp, as well as an experimental knowledge of the "Plan of Salvation" and faithfully held to all the great doctrines of Grace. He was deeply attached to the Covenanter Church, and to the close of his life manifested a keen interest in her efforts at home and abroad. It was always a pleasure to visit him in his home. He had a delightful sense of humor. There was a cheerfulness about his disposition and a genial warmth about his friendship which always made one feel the better no matter how brief the visit.

Synod desires to place on record its appreciation of his fellowship as a brother and of the long years of service which he spent in the ministry of the church.

Respectfully submitted,
J. BOYD TWEED,
G. R. STEELE.

ARTHUR ARGYLE SAMSON

Arthur Argyle Samson was born at Wyman, Iowa, September 21, 1872. He was educated in the public schools of his native state, Monmouth College, Illinois, and the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary at Pittsburgh, Pa., graduating from this last institution in 1899. This same year he was married to Miss Mae McClellan, of Monmouth, Illinois, and became pas-

tor of the New Concord congregation. This pastorate continued until 1907, when, owing to impaired health, he resigned and went to Hemet, California, where he resided until 1909, when he accepted a call to Topeka, Kansas.

In 1913, Mr. Samson left Topeka to become pastor of the Second New York congregation. He continued in that relation until 1920, when he accepted an invitation to work under the auspices of the National Reform Association. He left the National Reform field in 1921 to accept the pastorate of the Los Angeles congregation to which he ministered until his lamented death which occurred April 11, 1924, as the result of the car which he was driving being struck by a trolley car.

Geneva College, in 1916, conferred on Mr. Samson the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He had great qualities of mind and heart. He was well up towards the ideal as both preacher and pastor.

Dr. Samson is survived by his wife, a son, and a daughter. We close this inadequate appreciation of a loved brother by extending to the stricken widow and the fatherless children our Christian sympathy, commending them to the God of all comfort and the word of his grace.

C. A. DODDS,
J. W. CARSON.

JOHN WAGNER PRITCHARD

John W. Pritchard, editor of the Christian Nation, elder of Montclair congregation, devoted servant of his Lord and of the Covenanter Church, died in a hospital in Montclair, N. J., March 1, 1924. He was seriously ill for several months before his death and was believed to have had a stroke, but his death was caused by cancer.

Mr. Pritchard was born in Pittsburgh, August 4, 1851, and was brought up in the Methodist Church. He became a printer and while still young established a prosperous daily paper in McKeesport, Pa. He married Miss Harriet Small, a member of the Covenanter Church, in his twenty first year on May 18, 1872. He joined this Church a year and a half later.

Having become an enthusiastic believer in the principles of national reformation, he bought a share in the Christian Statesman in 1884 and for one year was its managing editor. Later he started the Christian Nation in New York and was its owner, editor and manager for forty years. This paper became the semi-official organ of the Covenanter Church and was conducted with great fidelity to its principles.

The fiftieth anniversary of Mr. Pritchard's marriage was fittingly noticed in the Synod meeting in Olathe in 1922. Mrs. Pritchard is devotedly attached to the principles of the Church and was her husband's great support all through his life. They had nine children, six boys and three girls, all of whom, living to be old enough, joined the Church. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard also adopted two children, relatives who were left without a home. Four of his sons passed away before him. At the time of his death he had fourteen grandchildren. His eldest son

is the Rev. John H. Pritchard, and his eldest daughter is the widow of the Rev. McLeod George. Mr. Pritchard was a man who will be greatly missed. He was industrious and efficient, kindly and generous, simple and sincere. Withal he never boasted or sought prominence for himself. He made mistakes, as we all do, but they were of the head rather than of the heart. His faith in the care of his Heavenly Father never seemed to waver and all difficulties he submitted to the throne of grace. He carried his burden patiently, not regarding it as a burden, but as a privilege and he spent no time in self-pity, if he ever even thought of it. He was patient under provocation and when he was reviled, reviled not again.

He died peacefully and was laid to rest in Mt. Hebron Cemetery, Montclair, with the members of his family who had gone before and close to the grave of McLeod George. He rounded out three score and ten years of a useful and laborious life. Now his labors are over and he sleeps well. His soul, we feel certain, is with the Saviour whom he trusted and served.

W. J. COLEMAN.

F. E. Allen submitted the report of the Finance Committee, which was taken up item by item.

The appointment of members of the Advisory Council of the Near East Relief was referred to the Board of Foreign Missions.

In accordance with Item 2, the Clerk cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for George A. McKee, Wm. J. Ward and Robert M. Young to be their own successors on Synod's Board of Trustees for the term beginning June 15, 1924 and ending June 15, 1927.

The report as adopted is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully report:

The following papers and items were placed in our hands:

1. The report of the Board of Church Erection.
2. The report of the treasurer of the Jewish Mission account.
3. The report of the treasurer of Olive Trees account.
4. The report of the treasurer and auditor of the Board of Foreign Missions.
5. The financial report of the Literary Fund.
6. The twenty-sixth annual report of the treasurer of the R. P. Woman's Association.
7. The report of Synod's Clerk.
8. A resolution requiring Boards to include in their reports the salaries of their employees.
9. The expense of postponing the meeting of Synod amounting to $2.90.

10. The cost of the telegram sent to the bereaved families amounting to $2.16.

11. A resolution concerning the purchase of Psalters for the use of Synod.

12. A paper from the Near East Relief.

13. Report of the Committee on Insurance of Seminary students.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 be approved and published in the Minutes of Synod.

2. That the clerk cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for Messrs. George A. McKee, William J. Ward and Robert M. Young to be their own successors on the Board of Trustees of Synod.

3. That the proceeds from the sale of the St. Louis church property amounting to $11,337.19 be placed in the hands of the Board of Church Erection; and that the $300 from the sale of the West Hebron church property be placed in the hands of the Board of Church Erection.

4. That Article VIII of the Constitution of the Theological Seminary be not changed.

5. That the bequest from Andrew T. Russell of $499 be placed in the current account of Home Missions and Sustentation.

6. That the bequest of Miss Wilhelmina Fleissner be distributed as follows: To the Witness Committee, Foreign Missions, and Aged People's Home each $1,867.54, to be placed to the current account.

7. That the amounts of the John Heslip bequest, Geneva College $5000, Aged People's Home $5000, and China Mission $10,000 be placed, in each case, to the current account.

8. That the bill for $45 for printing Synod's Docket be paid from the Literary Fund.

9. That the deficit from printing and sale of the 1923 Minutes be paid from the Literary Fund.

10. That items 9 and 10 be paid from the Literary Fund.

11. That J. S. Tibby be directed to ship fifty Psalters to be used at Synod each year.

12. We recommend the Near East Relief to the co-operation of our pastors, Sabbath School Superintendents, editors, and other officials and members, and request that they continue their generous support. We further authorize the appointment of an Advisory Committee to assist Near East Relief in its future plans.

13. We recommend the adoption of the report of item 13 with the provision that the premium for this year be paid from the ministerial relief fund.

F. E. ALLEN.
H. G. PATTERSON.
P. J. McDONALD.
JAMES MOORE.
EDWIN H. BUCK.

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

Statement of Funds for Year Ending April 15, 1924.

Receipts.

Congregations	$2,428.62	
Repaid on account Mtge., Topeka Congregation	100.00	
		$2,528.62
Dividends:		
David Gregg Estate	$ 595.94	
McKee Sisters	187.00	
		$ 782.94
Interest on Account		45.59
		$3,357.15
Less Debit Balance, April 15, 1923		594.82
		$2,762.33

Disbursements

Secretary's expense	$ 4.00
	$2,758.33

Liberty Bonds $250.00.

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

NOTE:—(Amount due Christian Nation for last year's advertising, $134.78.)

Mission of the Covenant
(Jewish Mission)

Statement of Funds from April 15, 1923 to April 15, 1924.

Receipts.

Congregations	$ 291.32	
Sabbath Schools and Societies	250.52	
Individuals	167.00	
		$ 708.84
Acct Budget 1923-24		1,480.81
Receipts to Mission direct		80.30
Dividends—		
Regular endowment		128.33
		$2,398.28
Balance, April 15, 1923		343.17
		$2,741.45

Disbursements

Salaries	$2,400.00
Expense to Forward Movement	82.61

Literature and periodicals	64.54	
Coal and wood	107.00	
Carfare, postage and miscellaneous	25.48	
Cleaning and supplies	91.42	
Gas and care of fixtures	56.72	
Telephone	36.00	
Repairs to building	28.76	
Expense of Mother's meetings	4.94	
		$2,897.47
Total Disbursements		$2,897.47
Total Receipts		2,741.45
Disbursements in excess		$ 156.02

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

Olive Trees Account.

Statement of Funds from April 15, 1923 to April 15, 1924.

Receipts.

Subscriptions	$1,098.00	
Transferred from D. O. Brown Fund to cover deficits 1922-23	626.90	
Transferred from Semi-Centennial Fund to cover deficit 1923	42.06	
		$1,766 96
Less deficit, April 15, 1923		305.85
		$1,461.11

Disbursements

Ludwig Printing House	$1,429.96	
Chestnut Street Engraving Company	4.65	
Binding	6.50	
Editor's expense	20.00	
		$1,461.11

No balance

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

Board of Foreign Missions.

Syria Hospital Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923		$5,423.70
Receipts—		
Support of beds	$ 210.00	
General use	110.00	
Dividends—		
D. & M. E. McKee, cot	$ 60.00	

Mrs. E. S. E. McKee, cot	60.00	
	$ 120.00	
Interest on account	78.60	
		$ 518.60
		$5,942.30
Less amount sent to field		1,500.00
		$4,442.30

Mersine Hospital Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923		$8,215.35
Receipts—		
Support of beds	$ 40.00	
General use	100.00	
Dividends—		
D. & M. E. McKee, cot	$ 80.00	
Interest on account	160.05	
		$ 380.05
		$8,595.40

Latakia Church Building Fund

Balance, April 15, 1923	$2,074.90	
Receipts	100.66	
	$2,175.56	
Less sent to field	2,175.56	
		No bal.

Latakia Dwelling Building Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$3,872.13
Interest on account	68.79
	$3,940.92

Tarsus Building Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$5,815.32
Interest on account	107.65
	$5,922.97

Mersine School Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$ 58.01
Interest on account	1.16
	$ 59.17

David Oliver Brown Memorial Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$ 811.40	
Interest on account	3.65	
	$ 815.05	
Less, transferred to Olive Trees account to cover deficit	626.90	
		$ 188.15

Semi-Centennial Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$ 42.06	
Less, transferred to Olive Trees account to cover deficit	42.06	
		No bal.

J. D. McAnlis Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$ 482.87
Interest on account	9.64
	$ 492.51

Foreign Field Deputation Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$1,514.60
Liberty Bonds $3000.00	

Estate D. S. Gailey Special Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	$5,000.00
Interest on account	91.35
	$5,091.35

J. French Carithers Memorial Fund.

Balance, April 15, 1923	11,119.69
Receipts	577.95
Interest on account	225.29
	$11,922.93

Liberty Bonds $3500.00.

Levant (Syrian Mission) General Fund.

Receipts.

Congregations	$26,704.34	
Sabbath Schools and societies	1,340.66	
Individuals	955.00	
		$29,000.00

Bequests—		
Mrs. E. J. Milligan	$ 17.59	
Dividends—		
David Gregg Estate	1,638.82	
Regular endowment	1,995.27	
Regular endowment	386.13	
D. & M. E. McKee	307.50	
E. S. E. McKee	25.00	
Ryegate and Barnet, Vermont	8.94	
Miss Mary Sterrett	180.62	
		$ 4,559.87
Refund of traveling expenses, etc.		293.69
		$33,853.56
Less debit balance, April 15, 1923		8,934.13
		$24,919.43

Disbursements

Syria (Latakia and Suadia Stations)—		
Salaries	$ 9,620.00	
Mission expense	9,062.12	
Travel	Nothing	
		$18,682.12
Asia Minor (Tarsus Station)—		
Salaries	$ 5,170.00	
Mission expense (including rent of bldgs.)	3,427.66	
Travel	60.22	
		$ 8,657.88
Cyprus Station—		
Salaries	$ 6,632.90	
Mission Expense	3,574.19	
Travel	488.25	
		$10,695.34
		$38,035.34
Disbursements	$38,035.34	
Receipts	24,919.43	
Deficit	$13,115.91	

Liberty Bonds $4050.00.

NOTE:—(Amount due Christian Nation for last year's advertising $1130.44.)

China Mission, General Fund.

Receipts.

Congregations	$ 9,947.50	
Sabbath Schools and societies	2,036.63	
Individuals	1,025.00	
		$13,009.13

Bequests—		
Mrs. E. J. Milligan	$ 17.58	
Mrs. Lizzie Love	499.25	
		$ 516.83
Dividends—		
David Gregg Estate	$ 1,638.81	
Regular endowment	1,995.27	
Regular endowment	161.56	
D. & M. E. McKee	102.50	
E. S. E. McKee	25.00	
Ryegate and Barnet, Vermont	8.93	
		$ 3,932.07
Salary refund		24.00
		$17,482.03
Balance, April 15, 1923		3,236.26
		$20,718.29

Disbursements

Salaries	$20,852.50	
Mission expense	1,590.62	
Travel	1,689.71	
	$24,132.83	
Less amount paid out of cash on field	8,970.29	
		$15,162.54
		$ 5,555.75

Liberty Bonds $2850.00.

NOTE:—(Amount due Christian Nation for last year's advertising $1130.43.)

Syria Mission, Special Funds.

Receipts—		
Relief	$1,175.82	
Protestant orphans	26.30	
Car for Dr. R. E. Smith	274.72	
Educate girls	70.00	
El Dainey school building	50.00	
Erection of church building	20.00	
Discretion of Missionaries	35.00	
Educate boy	89.00	
Rev. K. Awad	10.00	
		$1,750.84
Balance, April 15, 1923		2,967.06
		$4,717.90

Disbursements—

Freight on relief goods	$ 42.25	
Relief and sundry purposes as above	4,206.99	
		$4,249.24
		$ 468.66

Liberty Bonds $300.00.

Asia Minor Mission, Special Funds.

Receipts—

Relief	$ 30.00	
Balance, April 15, 1923	65.00	
		$ 95.00

Disbursements—

Relief and Sundry Purposes	$ 120.00
	$ 25.00

Apparent overpayment on account of adjustment on Canadian Draft (To be deducted from next remittance)

Cyprus Mission, Special Funds.

Receipts—

Educate Boys in Mr. Weir's School, Larnaca	$ 200.00	
Educate Girls	100.00	
Bible Woman	148.95	
For Mrs. Tourfonda Goetcherian	200.00	
For Bedros Bedrosian	100.00	
For Mr. C. T. Hutcheson	5.00	
Refugees	10.00	
Victrola	10.00	

Dividends—

Keystone Driller Co., For Student	$ 100.00	
H. H. George Estate, For Student	50.00	
		$ 923.95
Balance, April 15, 1923		184.01
		$ 1,107.96

Disbursements—

Sundry Purposes as above	$ 842.96
	$ 265.00

China Mission, Special Funds.

Receipts—

Industrial Work	$ 10.63
Leper Girl	23.32

Work among Lepers	20.00	
Support	179.00	
Shui Kui	55.00	
Support of Tung On Station	60.89	
China Church Council	35.00	
Tse Sui Kam	15 00	
Education	45.00	
Bibles (Gospel Fund)	48.29	
Organ	50.00	
Girls' School	35.00	
Medical Work	50.00	
Bible Women	90.00	
Educate Boy	15.00	
House Boat	28.96	
Dividends—		
Keystone Driller Co., Student	$ 100.00	
H. H. George Estate	50.00	
McKee Sisters, Physician	880.00	
Rev. J. McCune and Wife, Educate Girl	35.42	
	$ 1,065.42	
		$ 1,826.51
Balance, April 15, 1923		1,661.65
		$ 3,488.16
Disbursements—		
Sundry Purposes as above		$ 2,276.94
		$ 1,211.22

Liberty Bonds, $1,100.00.

Girls' School, Nicosia, Cyprus Salary Account.

Receipts	$ 2,008.40	
Salaries paid 2 Teachers, 1 year	1,700.00	
		$ 308.40

Amounts Due Missionaries.

Dr. J. M. Balph	$ 100.00	
Dr. R. E. Smith	4.24	
Miss Alice Robb	41.43	
		$ 145.67

Advances Made for Missionaries

Rev. A. J. McFarland	$ 56.64	
Mr. R. I. Robb	43.20	
Rev. J. A. Kempf	40.38	
Nellie A. Brownlee (in process of collection)	50.00	
		$ 190.22

Secretary's Expense.

Traveling	$ 40.99	
Committee of Refer. and Counsel	82.50	
Desk and Light	66.60	
Monthly Allowances	900.00	
	1,090.09	
Credit, Sale of Old Desk	15.00	
		$ 1,075.09

Treasurer's Expense.

Bond	$ 50.00	
Audit	85.00	
Postage	10.53	
Printing, Stationery and Supplies	28.05	
		$ 173.58
		$ 1,248.67

COMPARATIVE REPORT

	1923		1924	
	Receipts	Payments	Receipts	Payments
Levant Mission, General Fund	$42,768.08	$52,462.80	$33,853.56	$38,035.34
China Mission, General Fund	21,260.65	19,099.46	17,482.03	15,162.54
Totals for General Fund Accounts	$64,028.73	$71,562.26	$51,335.59	$53,197.88
Syria Mission, Special Fund	5,823.94	$ 5,761.08	$ 1,750.84	$ 4,249.24
Asia Minor Mission, Special Fund	421.62	1,063.19	30.00	120.00
Cyprus Mission, Special Fund	1,986.12	1,924.11	923.95	842.96
China Mission, Special Fund	2,385.59	2,104.57	1,826.51	2,276.94
Latakia Hospital	620.30	500.00	518.60	1,500.00
Mersine Hospital	352.35		380.05	
Latakia Church Building Fund	4,224.05	5,224.76	100.66	2,175.56
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	82.00		68.79	
Tarsus Building Fund	122.26		107.65	
Mersine School Fund	58.01		1.16	
D. O. Brown Memorial Fund	18 36		3.65	626.90
Semi-Centennial Fund	2.30			42.06
J. D. McAnlis Fund	11.25		9.64	
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	836.22		803.24	
Foreign Field Deputation Fund	32.98			
Estate D. S. Gailey, Special Fund	5,000.00		91.35	
Totals for Spec. and Misc. Accounts	$21,977.62	$16,577.71	$ 6,616.09	$11,833.66

SUMMARY

Totals for General Fund Accounts	$64,028.73	$71,562.26	$51,335.59	$53,197.88
Totals for Spec. and Misc. Accounts	21,977.62	16,577.71	6,616.09	11,833.66
Grand Totals for all F. Miss. Accts.	$86,006.35	$88,139.97	$57,951.68	$65,031.54

Summary of Accounts of Which Mr. J. M. Steele Is Treasurer.

Foreign Mission Accounts—		
General, Special and Miscellaneous		$36,838.42
Board of Church Erection		2,758.33
Olive Trees Account		No Bal.
Jewish Mission Board		156.02
		$39,440.73
Amounts Due Missionaries		145.67
		$39,586.40
Less Advances made for Missionaries		190.22
		$39,396.18
Distributed as Follows—		
Brown Brothers and Company	$31,854.45	
Central National Bank	4,334.87	
Bank of North America & Trust Co.	3,206.86	
		$39,396.18

JOS. M. STEELE.

Mr. Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer,
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America,
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:—We report that we have audited your accounts as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America for the period from 1st April, 1923, to 15th April, 1924. All receipts as shown by your books were deposited in bank and all disbursements were supported by proper vouchers. The balances in bank were verified by correspondence with the depositories. The $15,050 U. S. Liberty Bonds, which are not entered on the books, were verified by examination.

Annexed we submit a statement of the balances in the various funds at 15th April, 1924. Very truly yours,

LYBRAND ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY.

Details of the Funds of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, April 15th, 1924.

Board of Foreign Missions—	
Syria Hospital Fund	$ 4,442.30
Mersine Hospital Fund	8,595.40
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	3,940.92
Tarsus Building Fund	5,922.97
Mersine School Fund	59.17
David O. Brown, Memorial Fund	188.15

Rev. J. D. McAnlis Fund	492.51	
Foreign Field Deputation Fund	1,514.60	
J. French Carithers, Memorial Fund	11,922.93	
Estate of D. S. Gailey, Special Fund	5,091.35	
Syrian Mission, General Fund, overdraft	13,115.91	
China Mission, General Fund	5,555.75	
Syrian Mission, Special Fund	468.66	
Asia Minor Mission, Special Fund, overdraft	25.00	
Cyprus Mission, Special Fund	265.00	
China Mission, Special Fund	1,211.22	
Cyprus Girls' School, Nicosia, Cyprus, Salary Account	308.40	
		$36,838.42
Jewish Mission Board, overdraft		156.02
Board of Church Erection		$ 2,758.33
Amounts due Missionaries—		
Dr. J. M. Balph	$ 100.00	
Dr. R. E. Smith	4.24	
Miss Alice Robb	41.43	
		$ 145.67
		$39,586.40
Less, Advances made for Missionaries—		
Rev. A. J. McFarland	$ 56.64	
Rev. J. A. Kempf	40.38	
Miss Nellie Brownlee	50.00	
Remo I. Robb	43.20	
		$ 190.22
		$39,396.18
Held as follows—		
At Brown Bros. & Co.	$31,854.45*	
At Bank of North America & Trust Co.	3,206.86	
At Central National Bank	4,334.87	
		$39,396.18

*Includes $21,156.71 deposited April 23, 1924.

Financial Report of Literary Fund April 1, 1923 to April 1, 1924

April 1, 1923, balance		$1,078.67
Receipts.		
Designated collections	$ 5.25	
Dockets 1923 Synod sold	16.50	
Sale old Minutes	1.30	
Sale 1923 Minutes	451.00	
Collection at 1923 Synod	92.73	
Sale of Books	1,576.73	
		$2,143.51
		$3,222,18
Expenditures.		
Brief case for Clerk	$ 12.00	
Errors in 1923 Trav. Fund	42.80	

Rent of Christian Church, Winona Lake	45.00	
Typists etc.	21.80	
Printing Docket	100.00	
Printing Blanks	12.25	
Printing Psalm Selections	864.94	
Printing 1923 Minutes	679.60	
R. R. Fare Psalm Selections Comm.	88.29	
Two years' dues Alliance Churches	120.00	
Postage on Books	77.42	
Paper and Twine	6.26	
Three Years' Ad Olive Trees	18.00	
Storage of Books	10.00	
		$2,098.36
April 1, 1924, balance		$1,123.82

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have audited the above Accounts and find the same to be correct.

H. A. STOUT, Auditor.

Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Treasurer Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association of North America, Year Ending February 29, 1924.

Receipts.

Admission Fees	$ 600.00	
Boarding Income	33.80	
Bequests	190.00	
Congregational Collections and Budget	752.76	
Dividends	159.37	
Donation and Reception Day	641.50	
Donations	194.50	
Endowment Memorial Room	150.00	
Income from Rents	660.00	
Interest—		
On Checking Account	41.98	
On Savings Account	112.28	
On Mortgages	1,782.00	
Membership Dues	561.00	
Members Fund	694.00	
Sundry Cash Income	522.56	
Transferred from Savings Account	2,500.00	
Accounts Receivable	302.89	
Receipts for the Year		$ 9,898.64
Add Balance March 1, 1923		1,619.72
		$11,518.36
Disbursements for the Year		$11,265.14
February 29, 1924, balance		$ 253.22

Disbursements.

Burial Expenses	$ 617.74	
Drugs and Medicines	36.66	
Equipment	500.93	
Food Supplies	1,997.03	
Garden and Grounds	132.69	
General Expense	865.12	
House Cleaning	84.00	
Home Property Improvement	215.00	
Insurance	58.00	
Light and Heat	1,129.28	
Matron's Expense Fund	600.00	
Nursing	116.51	
Office Expense	166.43	
Repairs	1,137.00	
Salary Account	2,728.77	
Telephone	54.22	
Interest and Miscellaneous	825.76	
Disbursements for the year		$11,265.14

Assets.

Cash—		
Mellon National Bank, savings account	$ 764.51	
City Deposit Bank, savings account	2,000.00	
City Deposit Bank, checking account	253.22	
		$ 3,017.73
Real Estate—		
Cemetery Lot	$ 625.00	
Home Property	26,258.77	
		$26,883.77
Stocks—		
Keystone Driller		$ 180.00
Mortgages Receivable—		
Glenn H. and Harriett Campbell	$ 6,500.00	
George Frankovich	14,000.00	
John F. and Rose McGarvey	3,200.00	
Joseph B. and Sophia Weight	6,000.00	
		$29,700.00
Furniture and Fixtures		$ 4,900.00
Manager's Contingent		1.32
Equipment		500.93
Total Assets		$65,183.75

Liabilities.

New Cemetery Plot Fund	$ 100.00	
Members' Fund	8,273.50	
Memorial Room Furnishings	200.00	
Reserve Interest Fund, Memorial Rooms	764.51	
Total Liabilities		$ 9,338.01
Excess of Assets		$55,845.74

Respectfully submitted,
AGNES E. STEELE, Treasurer.

Auditor's Certificate.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 15, 1924.

To the Board of Managers of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association.

This is to certify that I have audited the books and records of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association for the year ending February 29, 1924 and have found same to be correct. W. E. RICHARDS, Auditor.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To the Moderator and Members of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod:

Dear Brethren:—

We herewith present our Report and that of your Treasurer for the year ending April 15th, 1924.

The work of your Board continues to increase from year to year as funds are placed in our hands for investment. We desire to express our gratitude to the Head of the Church for the blessings and favors bestowed upon us in our work.

Item 9 of the Report of Geneva College relative to transferring the Real Estate and Endowment Funds of Geneva College held in the name of Synod's Board of Trustees to Geneva College Board of Corporators was referred to both Boards to investigate the legal phases of the matter. We would report that this item was again given careful attention by our attorney who still maintains more strongly than before the opinion as presented to Synod at its last meeting. (Pages 139 and 140, Minutes 1923 Synod.)

The free advertisement in the Christian Nation so generously furnished by our deceased brother Mr. John W. Pritchard, during the past two years, as to members of the church placing their funds in our hands for investment, brought numerous inquiries. These funds now amount to over $50,000.00.

Payment was made on Student's Notes as follows: Thos. E. Graham $35.00 on account, J. W. Dodds $390.00 in full.

The total income of the office was $53,022.56, a gain of $3,165.66 over last year. We have on our books $26,600.00 in stocks and bonds and $825,418.20 in mortgages or a total of $852,018.20

Invested Funds. This is an increase of $42,809.50. The expenses of the office amounted to $4,131.81, a decrease of $185.56. The regular dividend of five and one half percent was declared out of the earnings and balance credited to the Sinking Fund.

The St. Louis church property was sold to the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium for $10,000.00, this amount with rentals total $11,337.19 to be distributed by Synod.

A buyer was found for the West Hebron, N. Y. church property at $300.00 but on account of the laws of New York state, we were compelled to go into Court for permission to sell and the matter is held in abeyance. In case the Court approves of the sale, Synod can make distribution of this sum.

The Middletown, Pa., and Coulterville, Ill. church properties are in our hands for disposal. No deed is on record of the latter property. A local attorney has made claim in Court to clear title. We would recommend that the financial officers of all congregations give careful attention as to the ownership of their ground, see that deeds are placed on record, sufficient insurance is taken, and where new properties are purchased, have title in the name of this Board to safeguard the interests of the church.

A difference of opinion has arisen between the Theological Seminary Board and this Board as to the authority vested in the latter Board in relation to government of the building and occupants. Your Board believes its responsibility ends when all necessary repairs are made, just as it existed formerly and that all other matters are under the jurisdiction of the Seminary Board and Professors. We would recommend that Article Eight of the Constitution of the Seminary be changed to read:—

The finances of this Seminary, including its invested funds and repairs to buildings, are placed under the management of Synod's Board of Trustees.

The Following Bequests were Received:

Mrs. Eliz. J. Milligan, Winchester, Kan.—additional China $17.58; Syria $17.57.

Miss Mary J. Frazier, Monticello, N. Y.—Aged Ministers $100.00.

Mrs. Mary Curry, Winchester, Kan.—additional Home Mission $325.58; Southern Mission $465.12; Indian $209.30.

Rev. S. B. Houston, Columbus Jct., Iowa—Budget $15.20.

Miss Maggie Daughtery, Plum Township, Pa.—Aged People's Home Endowment $450.00; Home Mission $3,723.68; Endowment.

Miss Lizzie Love, Freeport, Ohio—China Mission $499 25.

R. M. Mehaffy, Parnassus, Pa.—Southern Mission $10.00; Witness Work $10.00; Budget $80.00.

D. S. Gailey, Parnassus, Pa.—balance in full, Theo. Sem. $1,000; Indian Mission $1,000; Home Mission $1,000; Geneva College $1364.65.

Andrew T. Russell, Bovina, N. Y.—Synod to distribute where it will do the most good, $499.00.

Miss Wilhelmina Fleissner, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.—Witness Work, Foreign Missions, Aged People's Home each $1867.54.

John Heslip, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Geneva College $5000.00; Aged People's Home $5000.00; China Mission $10,000; Theological Seminary $15,000.00. The last item was paid over, as per your instruction, in purchasing the new Seminary building.

The total amount of bequests is $51,489.55.

In the absence of specific instructions from the decedants in the last two bequests, we ask Synod to decide whether the amounts shall be used for Endowment or Current Accounts as per rule of Synod which reads: "Synod's Board of Trustees is the proper party to receive and receipt for all sums bequeathed to the church and as is their custom, when possession is secured pass such funds over to the proper Boards or Missions in all cases when the proper use of the money is clearly stated by the donor and in all other cases hold the same until Synod shall direct to what use it shall be applied."

May we further ask that Synod call the attention of our General Treasurers to this rule.

The term of Messrs. George A. McKee, William J. Ward and Robert M. Young as members of this board expires June 15th, 1924. Their successors should be elected by ballot.

The books and accounts of your treasurer were audited by Mr. H. A. Stout, Public Auditor, and found correct.

James S. Tibby with William J. Ward, as alternate, was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. TIBBY, Secretary.

REPORT OF JAMES S. TIBBY, TREASURER.

Endowment Funds.

Geneva College	$301,706.76
Geneva College, Mrs. S. J. Steele	1,000.00
Geneva College, John L. Downie	500.00
Theological Seminary	71,405.42
Students' Aid	16,876.88
Ministerial Relief	19,277.92
Foreign Mission	72,555.29
Home Mission and Sustentation	57,981.84
Belle Center O. congregation	3,100.00
Southern Mission	8,447.95
Pine Creek congregation	500.00
Syrian Mission	7,020.54
China Mission	2,937.50
Indian Mission	4,138.54
Jewish Mission	2,333.32
Witness Bearing	2,383.34
Aged People's Home	3,050.00
Widows and Orphans	12,300.02
Mrs. M. E. and Eda S. E. McKee	16,000.00
Church Erection	3,400.00
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee	10,000.00
Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee	2,000.00
Rev. and Mrs. J. J. McClurkin	100.00

Ryegate and Barnet congregation	850.00
Iowa Presbytery	700.00
McKeesport and Monongahela congregation	9,948.32
Wilkinsburg	500.00
American Bible Society	50.00
Mrs. Annis L. Ferguson for Cedar Rapids	200.00
Jonathan's Creek congregation	977.75
China Mission, special	722.85
Mars, Pa. congregation	1,500.00
Miss M. A. Sterrett	2,704.58
Miss Margaret A. Blair	2,356.87
Annuities	21,264.00
Pittsburgh Presbytery Education	1,201.00
Pittsburgh Presbytery Investment	2'350.00
W. M. S. Pittsburgh Presbytery	200.00
Bonds and Stock	26,600.00
David Gregg Fund	157,015.73
	$848,156.42

Furniture and Fixtures.

Geneva College	$ 41,000.00
Southern Mission	3,225.00
Indian Mission	1,000.00
Theological Seminary	$ 5,000.00
April 1, Balance	$ 50,225.00

Real Estate

Geneva College	$ 70,000.00
Southern Mission	5,000.00
Indian Mission	13,000.00
Theological Seminary	40,000.00
April 1, Balance	$128,000.00

Stocks and Bonds

Southern Mission	5,750.00
Geneva College	12,400.00
Syrian Mission	5,750.00
China Mission	1,000.00
Cyprus Mission	1,000.00
Ministerial Relief	700.00
	$ 26,600.00

Buildings

Geneva College	$565,000.00
Southern Mission	31,200.00
Indian Mission	5,000.00
Theological Seminary	40,000.00
	$641,200.00

David Gregg Mortgage Fund

April 1, 1923, Balance	$158,850.00
Mortgages taken	25,300.00
	$184,150.00
Mortgages paid	22,600.00
April 1, 1924, Balance	$161,550.00

David Gregg Mortgage Interest

Collections		$ 9,558.66
Distributed as follows—		
Interest returned	$ 61.63	
Services of Board	470.47	
Foreign Missions	3,277.63	
Home Missions	2,681.73	
Church Erection	595.94	
Theological Seminary	595.94	
Southern Mission	595.94	
Widows and Orphans	595.94	
Central Allegheny cong.	595.94	
		$ 9,471.16
April 1, 1924, Balance		$ 87.50

Mortgage Fund

April 1, 1923, Balance	$597,158.70
Mortgages taken	123,400.00
	$720.558.70
Mortgages paid	56,690.50
April 1, 1924, Balance	$663,868.20

Interest Fund.

Receipts.

Interest from Overdrafts	$ 4,205.05
Interest from Mortgages and Notes	39,258.85
	$ 43,463.90

Expenditures.

Share Office expenses	$ 1,404.83	
Dividends paid	35,886.34	
Transferred to Contingent Account	6,172.73	
		$ 43,463.90

Cash Account.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 9,188.41
Receipts		362,015.54
		$371,203.95
Expenditures		345,413.67
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 25,790.28

Expense Account.

Rent	$ 720.00	
Phone	48.22	
Supplies	84.40	
Clerk Hire	106.00	
Insurance	10.45	
Auditor	97.25	
Safety Box	7.50	
Bond of Treasurer	25.00	
Postage and Car fare	32.99	
Salary of Treasurer	3,000.00	
		$ 4,131.81
Above expenses paid by:		
Indian Mission	$ 289.23	
Southern Mission	330.54	
Home Mission	619.77	
Witness Committee	413.18	
Geneva College	743.72	
Theological Seminary	330.54	
Interest Account	1,404.83	
		$ 4,131.81

Contingent Account.

April 1, 1923—Balance	$ 26,930.09
Receipts—Balance of 1924 Earnings	6,172.73
April 1, 1924—Balance	$ 33.102.82

Witness Account.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 2,621.86
Receipts.		
Designated collections	$ 176.00	
Pro Rate collections	39.24	
Undesignated collections	4,944.76	
J. M. Coleman collections	334.00	
Sale Literature	14.29	
M. R. Mehaffy Bequest	10.00	
1924 Dividend	131.08	
		$ 5,649.37
		$ 8,271.23

Expenditures.

Office Supplies	$ 171.09	
Printing	1,104.00	
Envelopes and Postage	1,171.68	
Advertisement	24.50	
Share Forward Movement	184.49	
Share office expenses	413.18	
Share C. Nation Ads	304.35	
F. F. Reade expenses	11.30	
J. M. Coleman salary	2,000.00	
J. M. Coleman expenses	226.70	
Mrs. Margaret Bothwell salary	323.50	
		$ 5,934.79
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 2,336.44

Home Mission and Sustentation.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 6,149.87

Receipts.

Designated collections	$ 757.74	
Pro Rate collections	39.24	
Undesignated collections	4,663.02	
David Gregg 1924 Dividend	2,681.73	
1924 Regular Dividend	2,984.20	
Mrs. Mary Curry Bequest	325.58	
		$ 11,451.51
		$ 17,601.38

Expenditures.

Canada $1,295.75, Illinois $666.66	$ 1,962.41	
Iowa $1,079.92, Kansas $360.00	1,439.92	
N. B. $827.92, New York $1,949 84	2,777.76	
Ohio $3,324.90, Philadelphia $549.92	3,874.82	
Pittsburgh $5,174.70, Pacific $1,191.60	6,366.30	
Rochester	683.30	
Share Forward Movement	48.08	
Share C. Nation Ads	304.35	
Share Office expenses	619.77	
Interest on overdraft	89.63	
A. C. Coulter, Secretary	50.00	
M. M. Pearce, R. R. expenses	23.50	
D. H. Elliott, expenses	2.00	
Minute Book	5.00	
Net expenses Pittsburgh Syrian Mission	290.47	
		$ 18,537.31
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn		$ 935.93

Southern Mission.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 2,151.01
Receipts.		
Designated Collections	$1,561.03	
Pro Rate Collections	56.06	
Undesignated Collections	6,182.91	
Local Tuition	3,374.13	
Rent Little Knox	90.00	
Rent Pleasant Grove	50.00	
Sale Pleasant Grove	1,000.00	
Sundry collections forwarded	35.00	
J. C. Slater	17.87	
D. Gregg dividend	595.94	
Regular dividend	464.64	
Miss Sterrett	180.63	
Mr. Mehaffy, Bequest	10.00	
Mrs. M. R. Curry, Bequest	465.12	
		$ 14,083.33
		$ 16,234.34
Expenditures.		
R. R. Fare Workers	$ 308.44	
Salaries	8,320.00	
Local Expenses	2,605.73	
Interest on overdraft	47.17	
Share Forward Movement	223.37	
Share C. Nation Ads.	434.78	
Share Office expenses	330.54	
Paving Streets	1,861.72	
Expenses Comm. of Board	164.50	
Sundry gifts forwarded	35.00	
		$ 14,331.25
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 1,903.09

Indian Mission.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 1,279.97
Receipts.		
Designated collections	$ 497.27	
Pro Rate collections	25.23	
Undesignated collections	1,787.50	
W. M. S. Pitts. Presby. for salary	1,200.00	
Local	820.94	
1924 Dividend	227.62	
Mrs. Margaret Curry bequest	209.30	
		$ 4,767.86
		$ 3,487.89
Expenditures.		
Share Forward Movement	$ 80.12	
Share C. Nation Ads.	195.65	

Share Office	289.23	
Interest on overdraft	198.38	
Local Expenses	2,504.92	
Salaries	4,155.00	
		$ 7,423.30
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn		$ 3,935.41

Temperance.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 929.31
Receipts.		
Designated Collections		$ 10.50
		$ 939.81
Expenditures.		
Share Forward Movement	$ 33.62	
Supplies	165.62	
		$ 199.24
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 740.57

Theological Seminary.

April 1, Balance		$ 2,306.82
Receipts.		
Designated Collections	$ 363.39	
Prorate	8.41	
Undesignated Collections	408.20	
David Gregg Dividend	595.94	
Regular Dividend	3,945.17	
		$ 5,321.11
		$ 7,627.93
Expenditures.		
R. C. Wylie salary	$ 3,000.00	
R. J. G. McKnight	3,000.00	
G. M. Sleeth	500.00	
R. A. M. Steele	225.00	
Piano Accompanist	24.00	
Railroad Fare Board	60.00	
Speaker	20.00	
Share Forward Movement	32.57	
Share C. Nation Ads	65.22	
Share Office	330.54	
Interest on overdraft	48.80	
Remittance transferred	25.00	
		$ 7,331.13
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 296.80

Theological Seminary Library.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 69.37
Receipts.		
Designated Collections	$ 18.15	
Undesignated Collections	371.85	
	$	390.00
	$	320.63
Expenditures.		
Dues in Amer. Polit. Science	$ 5.00	
Ad. in Genevan	15.00	
Freight on Rev. S. B. Houston's books	7.71	
Books	51.70	
Magazines	52.75	
Dictionary	26.00	
Psalters	7.50	
Re-cat. Library	40.00	
	$	205.66
April 1, 1924—Balance	$	114.97

Memorial Building Account.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 64.70
Receipts.		
For Furnishings and Forwarded	$ 119.00	
5 months' upkeep from students	300.00	
7½ months' interest on $20,000.00	687.45	
Designated collections	30.00	
Out of town phone calls	2.59	
	$	1,139.04
	$	1,074.34
Expenditures.		
Funds for Furnishings Forwarded	$ 119.00	
Rent	480.00	
Hauling	20.00	
Supplies	80.36	
Sign	135.00	
Ashes	12.00	
Exam. Title	150.00	
Insurance	125.00	
Purchase price on account	124 00	
Gas	50.50	
Assign. Mortgages	5.25	
Coal and Coke	335.34	
Electricity	29.75	
Phone	21.69	
Cleaning	56.70	
Grate Bars	99.80	
	$	1,847.39
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn	$	773.05

Students' Aid.

April 1,—Balance		$ 3,280.70
Receipts.		
Designated Collections	$ 25.30	
Pro Rate Collections	5.61	
Undesignated Collections	749.09	
Thos. E. Graham Notes on account	35.00	
J. W. Dodds Notes in full	390.00	
1924 dividend	928.23	
		$ 2,133.23
		$ 5,413.93
Expenditures.		
Board Control expenses	$ 4.09	
Share Forward Movement	56.28	
Share C. Nation Ads.	43.48	
David Russell	324.98	
Paul White	324 98	
Paul McCracken	324.98	
William Doig	324.98	
Upkeep rooms from students' add.	300.00	
		$ 1,703.77
April 1—Balance		$ 3,710.16

Ministerial Relief.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 5,612.37
Receipts.		
Special Drive	$ 728.05	
Designated Collections	419.75	
Pro Rate Collections	16.82	
Undesignated Collections	1,903.43	
Miss M. J. Frazier Bequest	100.00	
Rev. A. J. McFarland	100.00	
1924 Dividend	1,014.21	
		$ 4,282.26
		$ 9,894.63
Expenditures.		
Board of Control	$ 4.10	
Share C. Nation Ads.	130.43	
Share Forward Movement	89.32	
G. A. Edgar	725.00	
T. C. Sproull	430.00	
W. S. Fulton	450.00	
S. J. Crowe	400.00	
J. W. Dill	400.00	
B. M. Sharp	460.00	
Wm. McFarland	325.00	
J. F. Crozier	225.00	
Isaiah Faris	280.00	
		$ 3,918.85
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 5,975.78

Widows and Orphans.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 3,124.24
Receipts.		
Designated Collections	$ 46.83	
Pro Rate Collections	2 25	
Undesignated Collections	262.92	
Rev. A. J. McFarland Special	100.00	
David Gregg Dividend	595.94	
1924 Divdend	676.50	
		$ 1,684.44
		$ 4,808.68
Expenditures.		
Mrs. Mytra Dodds $500, Mrs. J. C. French $500	$ 1,000.00	
Miss M. Cannon $200, Miss J. Cannon $180	380.00	
Mrs. J. S. Faris $175, Miss A. B. George $175	350.00	
Miss J. McDonald $180, Miss R. E. Middleton $100	280.00	
Mrs. P. P. Boyd $600, Mrs. A. C. Wilson $260	860.00	
Share Forward Movement	22.32	
Share C. Nation	17.39	
Board of Control expenses	4.09	
		$ 2,913.80
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 1,894.88

Undesignated Funds

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 270.79
Receipts.		
Collections	$62,249.51	
Rev. S. B. Houston Bequest	15.20	
M. R. Mehaffy Bequest	80.00	
		$ 62,344.71
		$ 62,073.92
Expenditures.		
Paid out		$ 61,591.86
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 482.06

Pro Rate Funds.

Receipts.	
Collections	$ 644.72
Expenditures.	
Paid out	$ 644.72

Forward Movement.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 2,893.64
Receipts.		
14 Depts. share of 1922 expenses	$ 2,893.64	
D. H. Elliott's collections	1,210.00	
		$ 4,103.64
		$ 1,210.00
Expenditures.		
Interest on overdraft	$ 83.79	
D. H. Elliott's expenses	1,188.51	
D. H. Elliott's salary	2,500.00	
		$ 3,772.30
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn		$ 2,562.30

Evangelistic Work.

April 1,—Balance		$ 513.04
Receipts.		
S. E. Greer check returned	$ 75.00	
Psalters	43.75	
Designated collections	37.70	
Pro Rate collections	2.80	
Undesignated collections	349.50	
		$ 508.75
		$ 1,021.79
Expenditures.		
F. F. Reade	40.90	
S. E. Greer	75.00	
J. D. Edgar	4.32	
D. B. Martin	50.00	
S. Edgar	25.00	
D. H. Elliott	10.06	
Postage	1.10	
Psalters	43.75	
Share Forward Movement	22.40	
Share C. Nation Ads.	21.73	
Ludwig Printing House	30.00	
		$ 324.26
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 697.53

Geneva College Mortgage Fund.

April 1, 1923—Balance due on McKee Hall	$100,000.00
Sept. 10—Balance due on Fern Cliff House	$ 6,500.00
April 1, 1924—Balance	$106,500.00

Geneva College Notes.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 7,610.13
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn		$ 7,610.13

Memorial Bible Chair.

Receipts.

Pledges paid		$ 428.00
Credited to Endowment Fund		428.00

Campus Account.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn		$ 11,713.22
Expenditures.		
Interest on overdraft		702.79
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn		$ 12,416.01

Campaign Funds.

Receipts.

Office collections	$ 2,928.00	
Campaign Fund to buy Fern Cliff	3,500.00	
		$ 6,428.00
Expenditures.		
McCartney Heirs for Fern Cliff	$ 3,500.00	
Forwarded to College	2,928.00	
		$ 6,428 00

McKee Hall.

April 1, 1923—Balance		$ 493.12
Receipts.		
Campaign Fund to pay bills	$ 4,668.77	
Coupons	25.00	
		$ 4,693.77
		$ 5,186.89
Expenditures.		
Architect Eckles balance	$ 3,143.13	
A. T. Withers Sons Co., heating	2,418.76	
		$ 5,561.89
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 25.00

Current Account.

April 1, 1923—Balance overdrawn	$ 43,620.76

Receipts.

Tuition forwarded	$ 60.00	
Rent Park Place	5.00	
College Board pledges paid	418.87	
Robert Clarke	2,831.61	
Campaign Fund	8,750.00	
Coupons	107.00	
Budget collections	15,090.00	
Dividends	16,354.46	
		$ 43,616.94
		$ 3.82

Expenditures.

Forward Movement	$ 446.43	
Taxes	114.10	
C. Nation Ads.	869.57	
Office Expenses	743.72	
Tuition forwarded	60 00	
College Board pledges forwarded	418.87	
Printing and legal expenses	135.35	
Insurance	1,744.00	
Budget Collections	15,600.00	
Salaries to meet Pay Roll	10,305.00	
Interest on overdraft	2,906.29	
Expenses Robert Clarke	309.75	
Interest on Mortgages and Notes	6,651.60	
		$ 40,304.68
April 1, 1924—Balance overdrawn		$ 40,308.50

Local Treasurer Campaign Fund.

Receipts.

Reformed Presbyterian church	$27,944.12	
Alumni	7,136.00	
Beaver Valley	3,329.00	
		$ 38,409.12
Cash in Bank 4-1-1923		$ 6,185.50
		$ 44,594.62

Expenses.

Expenses of campaign	$ 6,831.19	
To James S. Tibby, Treas. for Endowment	11,300 00	
McKee Hall	4,668.77	
Fern Cliff on account	3,500.00	
Deficit Board 1923 Budget	418.87	
Current expenses	17,635.50	
		$ 44,354.33
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 240.29

Local Treasurer Current Account.

pril 1, 1923—Balance		$ 2,123.52
Receipts.		
uition all Departments	58,733.45	
ees	2,016.36	
thletics	8,509.35	
ommencement	166.00	
rizes	217.50	
ontest	188.45	
ook Store	8,608.34	
oom Rent	5,431.50	
oard	16,638.90	
obert Clarke	1,307.28	
ames S. Tibby, Treasurer	29,345.23	
iscellaneous	379.62	
		$131,541.98
		$133,665.50
Expenditures.		
alaries, Teachers	$ 64,717.58	
alaries, Athletics	6,810.27	
alaries, Book Store	330.00	
alaries, Administrative, etc.	9,467.36	
alaries, Janitors, Cooks	8,872.18	
alaries, Auditor	223.50	
upplies, General	10,388.39	
upplies, Book Store	6,897.19	
upplies, Board, Groceries	13,482.73	
epairs, General	1,794.13	
xpenses—		
reight	$ 236.11	
dvertisement	447.64	
rizes	217.50	
abinet Company	490.49	
elegrams and Phones	468.07	
ommencement	768.65	
thletics	4,921.21	
iscellaneous	646.46	
ues Associations	58.50	
ames. S. Tibby, Tr. Balance 3-31-1923	2,123.52	
		$133,361.48
April 1, 1924—Balance		$ 304.02

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Auditor's Certificate.

I, the undersigned, appointed by the Trustees of the Synod f the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N. A. to audit the ccounts of James S. Tibby, Treasurer, would respectfully re- ort that I have examined the Accounts, Cash in Banks and nd same correct as per Report to the 1924 Synod.

H. A. STOUT, Public Auditor.

INSURANCE ON SEMINARY STUDENTS.

As per your instructions, life insurance amounting to $37,000.00 with an annual premium of $1,062.15, was placed in the Equitable Life of Iowa, per C. B. Metheny, Agent, Beaver Falls, Pa., on the lives of the four students attending the theological seminary as follows:

Name	Amount	Premium
Wm. M. Doig	$10,000.00	$389.10
David Russell	10,000.00	234.50
Paul D. White	10,000.00	274.40
Paul D. McCracken	7,000.00	164.15

The Trustees of the Synod, in behalf of the Ministerial Relief Fund are the beneficiaries and not the students. Payment of premium ceases and the policies mature at the age of sixty-five.

Total Insurance	$37,000.00
Double Indemnity	54,000.00
Monthly Disability	370.00
Annual Premium	1,062.15

In order to provide for this, your Committee would respectfully recommend that the annual premium of $1,062.15 be inserted in the Budget for Ministerial Relief each year.

SAMUEL R. BOGGS,
JAMES S. TIBBY,
Committee.

The report of the Special Committee on Disposition of Bequests was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO PROPOSE A REVISION OF THE RULE GOVERNING BEQUESTS TO BOARDS.

We recommend that the action of the Synod of 1891 in answer to this question, which action is quoted in the Report of Synod's Board of Trustees this year, be revised and modified so far as to provide that bequests not designated for endowment be sent, without delay, by Synod's Board of Trustees to the Appropriate Board or Committee, provided, the sum shall be less than $5000. Should the bequest amount to $5000 or more, the decision as to its disposition shall be left as heretofore, to Synod.

FINDLEY M. WILSON.
E. L. McKNIGHT.
F. M. FOSTER.
O. L. SAMSON.
JAS. S. TIBBY.

The following resolution, offered by J. B. Willson, was adopted:

Resolved: That in making up the proportion of the Synodical budget assigned to them, congregations be authorized to in-

clude the Thankofferings given under the auspices of, and under the control of the Women's Presbyterials, but used for the work of the Church in mission fields, except for the salaries of the American teachers in the girls' school in Cyprus.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

Boyd A. White submitted the report on time and place of meeting. It was decided to accept the invitation of Geneva College to hold the next meeting at the College, and Wednesday evening, June 3rd at 8:00 o'clock was fixed as the time.

REPORT ELDERS' CONFERENCE.

The Elders' Conference respectfully reports to Synod that the following resolutions were passed during their meetings:

1. That the Chairman and Clerk be instructed to make arrangements for the Elders' Conference at the Synod of 1925 and to prepare a program for discussion.
2. That Synod be requested to give the report of the Elders' Conference a place on the regular docket.

DAVID W. PARK, Chairman.
EDWIN H. BUCK, Clerk.

R. W. Redpath was appointed fraternal delegate to the Synods of the Scotch and Irish churches.

The report of the Stated Clerk, J. S. Tibby, was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK.

SUMMARY—The summary this year is: 11 presbyteries, 99 congregations, 5 mission stations, 122 ministers, 399 elders, 359 deacons, 3 licentiates, 5 theological students, 7,332 members in the home field, 1,063 in foreign field, 8,509 Sabbath School scholars, 1,998 in Young Peoples' Societies, 2,647 tithers, total contribution $360,661.

CONGREGATIONS—There are 96 congregations in the home field; 75 have pastors, 21 without pastors; 42 report an increase in membership, 26 report no accessions.

MINISTERS—There are 122 ministers, 72 are pastors, 3 stated supplies, 5 in the foreign field, 4 in reform work, 1 in home mission work, 1 in Sabbath School work, 5 at Geneva College, 2 in the Theological Seminary, 12 retired from active work, 8 in secular calling, 5 incapacitated, 3 instructors.

T. J. Allen died at Beaver Falls, Pa., Jan. 18, 1924; A. A. Samson at Los Angeles, Cal., April 11, 1924.

J. G. Reed was installed pastor of Little Beaver, Pa. congregation Oct. 16, 1923; T. C. McKnight of New Concord and Johnathans Creek, Ohio Jan. 15, 1924; A. M. Thompson of Bovina, New York congregation Nov. 14, 1923; Paul Coleman of Kansas City,

Mo. congregation, Dec. 7, 1923. C. E. Caskey was ordained as a missionary at Sterling, Kas. Oct. 17, 1923. J. C Mathews was ordained and installed as pastor of Southfield, Mich. congregation Nov. 14, 1923. R. Hargrave was released from the pastoral charge of the United Miami, Ohio congregation Jan. 17, 1924. J. G. Reed from Stafford, Kas. congregation Sept. 6, 1923. Paul Coleman from Long Branch, Iowa, congregation Dec. 7, 1923. J. D. Edgar from Olathe, Kas. congregation Dec. 17, 1923.

COMMUNICANTS—7,332 members are reported in the Home field and 1,063 in the Foreign field, or a total of 8,395 members. This is 50 more than last year. There is a decrease of 19 in the Home field, and an increase of 69 in the Foreign field. China reports 758, an increase of 74; Syria 227, a decrease of 13; Cyprus 78, an increase of 26. In the Home field there was a total decrease of 428 and an increase of 409.

Five Presbyteries report gains in membership, viz.: Iowa of 3, Kansas of 12, Ohio of 2, Pacific Coast of 9, Philadelphia of 15. Five Presbyteries report a loss—Colorado of 14, Central Canada of 1, New York of 17, Pittsburgh of 15, Rochester of 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS—$89,700 was received from congregations as follows: For Church Erection $2,418, Foreign Missions $40,560, Jewish Mission $2,340, Southern Mission $7,800, Indian Mission $3,510, Witness Work $5,460, Geneva College $15,600, Theological Seminary $1,170, Students' Aid $780, Ministerial Relief $2,340, Widows and Orphans $312, Evangelistic Work $390, Home Missions $5,460, Aged Peoples' Home $1,560. This is $12.20 per member.

Congregational treasurers report $2,937 contributed to the American Bible Society; $86,680 to all the Boards of the Church; $6,546 to National Reform; $130,399 for pastors' salary; $133,-199 to miscellaneous causes or total payments of $360,661, an increase of $6,462 over last year. This is $49.19 per member.

Certified copies of the 1922 Minutes of Synod were deposited in the safety box.

Respectfully Submitted,
JAMES S. TIBBY, Stated Clerk.

The report of the Special Committee on Equalization of Home and Foreign Mission appropriations was adopted and is as follows:

EQUALIZATION MISSION APPROPRIATIONS.

Your special committee on equalization of appropriations for Home and Foreign Missions respectfully present the following:

Inasmuch as the present appropriation for Domestic Missions makes impossible the paying of the debt already incurred for the past year, or of paying present pastoral supplements and carrying on the work on a minimum basis without still further debt;

And inasmuch as this is a field which needs development for the continued life of the Church;

We recommend that Synod instruct the Co-ordinating Committee in each of the five coming years to consider the advisability of increasing the appropriation for Home Missions by 20 per cent of the preceding year's difference between the Home Missions (including Domestic, Southern, Indian and Jewish Missions) and Foreign Missions appropriations, taking into account the fruitfulness of the work in the fields seeking aid.

(Signed) GEO. S. COLEMAN.
D. H. ELLIOT.
D. R. TAGGART.
HOMER SLOOP.
I. R. CARITHERS.

The report on Secret Societies was submitted by D. B. Martin, adopted and is as follows:

SECRET SOCIETIES.

In regard to the attitude of the Covenanter Church toward Secret Societies, the testimony is clear and concise. It includes all the forms of secret associations of higher and lower orders. Although all forms of secret associations may not be equally guilty, sufficient objectionable features exist to condemn all. The years have brought no change in our stand against secret societies because the sin has not been put away.

Almost every generation has some particular phase of the subject of secret societies to face, and today we are not lacking in our share. For us has been reserved a matter so subtle that it has literally carried away a great many. We refer to the Ku Klux Klan.

As we approach this matter we are glad we have ample authoritative evidence with which to come to some definite understanding of its workings. The avowed aims of the Klan have been sent broadcast. We are aware of the fact that there are problems existing today which require heroic treatment, and, in part, because of these conditions the Klan has come into being. The stand of the Knights of Columbus, demanding as they do, that the Bible shall have no place in our public schools, and that all religious instruction in America be under the direct control of the Pope of Rome, calls for settlement. Only the lack of space in this report keeps us from laying bare the dark picture with its oaths, its persistence in antagonizing the truth, its cruelty toward all opposition to its demands.

Although conditions growing out of allegiance to a foreign power exists and although among another class of citizens, there are those who would spoil the public resources for private ends, yet the method of removing these hindrances to public safety is not to be ignored. No matter how wrong any matter may seem to be, it never can justify another wrong. We are not of those who say that the end justifies the means.

In this paper we confine our consideration to the subject of the Ku Klux Klan, because, some of the avowed ends are praiseworthy and many good things have been done by it, but the

means employed, we call in question. In doing this we confine ourselves to two questions, namely, first, Is the Ku Klux Klan Christian? Second, Is it American? In other words, Does the work of the Klan tend to promote the Christian spirit, and does it tend to develope a higher, more noble type of American citizenship than is possible or probable without it? Christ, after whom Christianity is named, laid down a rule by which all men in all times would be able to determine the genuineness of professing followers. This rule is recorded in the book the Klan claims to support, in the gospel according to John, Thirteenth Chapter and Thirty-fifth verse: "By this shall all men **know** that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

C. M. Rook of Dallas, Texas, in an article appearing in the New Republic of Dec. 5, 1923, says, "No doubt there have been Klansmen present at these various whippings and let me say that in every case of a whipping, when the facts are sifted, most anybody would say that he got what was coming to him." These are the words of one on the inside. Do they sound like the words of Christ?

Another rule out of this book which Christian people accept, and one which was taught by the Master is "As ye would that others would do unto you, do ye even so to them." For a group of men to determine that certain citizens living under conditions over which they have no control, shall not enjoy equal benefits of this great civilization, hardly would seem to come under this rule. Is it doing to the Negro, the Chinaman, the Jap, the Jew, as you would be done by to treat them all as though they were all under the ban? Are there no honorable, loyal citizens among these people because there may be, and doubtless are, offenders among them? Is this carrying out the Golden Rule, that great test of Christianity?

Again, all law and the enforcement of the law is centered in the idea that these are from the hand of the Ruler of the universe. There may be cases and doubtless are, where officers of the law have failed and are failing in living up to and enforcing the law. Is it the Christian spirit which prompts men to hope that lawlessness may be overcome by unlawful means?

In regard to the political aspect of this question, the problem is not easy, and yet must be faced squarely. One of the slogans used frequently in connection with the Klan is "One hundred per cent American." The question is here raised, are the methods employed by the Klan to secure its avowed aims even American in spirit? According to Klan authorities, it is its declared purpose to make all but white, American-born, protestants feel and know that they are standing on slippery ground, and that their presence and conduct are being carefully noted. In other words they are under suspicion. Is this the spirit which moved the framers of the Declaration of Independence to declare, "That all men are created equal and that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness?"

Is this the spirit which moved the boys of 1898 to go out and die because the oppressor in Spain was making his mailed fist to

be felt in Cuba and the Philippines? Is this the spirit which prompted the boys who went out during the world war to die that the oppressed in other lands might go free? How shall these questions be answered? Are the conditions of the times so revolutionary as to warrant departure from the spirit of the fathers?

Still another question: Is it either Christian or American (and we hope some day that these terms will be identical) to hold in secret, plans that might benefit either or both the individual or community? Secrecy is none the less dangerous because of its modern dress. We flatly oppose the klan because the foregoing questions can have but one answer. We oppose the Klan because of its secrecy.

The same kindly voice which thrilled the multitudes on Galilee's hills is today calling for recruits. "Come out from among them and be ye separate."

We recommend that pastors inform themselves and their people concerning the true nature of this organization, and that all pastors who have not preached on the subject of Secret Societies within the last two years, do so before the next meeting of Synod.

D. BRUCE MARTIN.
R. H. MARTIN.
M. S. McMILLAN.
JOHN HEMPHILL.
JAMES MOORE.

The report of the special committee on the membership of our Church in the Alliance of Reformed Churches was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE RELATION OF THIS CHURCH TO THE ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES HOLDING THE PRESBYTERIAN SYSTEM.

The Committee appointed to consider the report of the delegates chosen by the Synod to attend the twelfth Council of the Presbyterian Alliance which is to meet in Cardiff, Wales, in 1925, respectfully report that we have studied carefully this report and the accompanying letters and find reason to commend the wisdom and foresight of Dr. R. C. Wylie in conducting this correspondence. These letters have passed between Dr. Wylie as our representative and the pastor of the church in Cardiff in which the Council meets and the chairman of the local committee of arrangements. It is understood by all that the arrangements for the praise service of the Council will be in the hands of this local committee.

The letters submitted to us make it certain that under present arrangements uninspired hymns and instruments of music will be used in the coming Council. This is asserted expressly by the pastor of the local church and by the local committee in

charge. A list of twenty hymns and twenty Psalms is to be prepared for use in the official meetings, the leaders to use either as they choose and with or without the organ. In the public meetings the hymns and instrument are to be used. The correspondence is courteous and in some cases very conciliatory, but there seems no reasonable ground of hope that any plea or argument from us will change this decision.

We recommend that the following letter be signed by the officers of this Synod and sent to the Rev. D. Hay Fleming, General Secretary of the Alliance, and also to Prof. David Evan, Mus. Doc. University College, Cardiff, Wales, Chairman of the local committee of arrangements:

To the Rev. D. Hay Fleming, D. D.

General Secretary of the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System,

Rev. and Dear Sir:

It is with profound regret that the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America announces its withdrawal from the Alliance of Reformed Churches. From the beginning of the Alliance till the present time this Synod has been a faithful member of the Alliance, having our representatives present at every meeting and bearing our share of its support, but the introduction of uninspired hymns and of instrumental music into the worship of God in the last Council, contrary to the practice of the Alliance for forty years and for ten Councils, in violation, we believe, of the rights of constituent members of the Alliance and in the face of the protest of our representatives, caused us two years ago to question the propriety of remaining in the Alliance, and now the declared purpose of the local committee of arrangements for the coming Council, to be held next year in Cardiff, to open the way to the use of hymns and instruments in the service of praise forces us to this withdrawal. This committee, we understand, has full control of the worship and, like the committee controling the worship in the last Council, it has not in our judgment given "due regard to the conscientious requirements of the constituent Churches."

We Covenanters have held an unbroken organization from the days of John Knox till the present time and a consistent record during all these years for purity of worship as we understand it and for the simplicity that is in Christ Jesus. Our very unpopular but historic principles have kept our Church small among the Presbyterian bodies, but we think this smallness should not have hindered a due regard for our conscientious convictions. Why should our brethren be unwilling to sing what Jesus sang and without an accompaniment that in his day was found nowhere else than in the temple and for many centuries was not known in the Christian church.

While we differ with you in this matter and feel that fidelity to our Master requires us to differ, we desire to express our appreciation of the consideration that for so many years was given to our conscientious convictions and our hope that the Council may yet see its way clear to return to its former

standard. We pray that the Lord will bless the Alliance and make it a power for good.

W. J. COLEMAN,
J. M. WYLIE,
R. J. C. DODDS.

H. G. Foster submitted the report of the Committee on Supplies which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES.

Your Committee would respectfully report:

Presbyterial reports referred to this committee require the full time of ten men. We have eleven ministers on the supply list. The following schedule of appointments is submitted:

Aikin, W. A.—Pacific Coast all year.

Edgar, J. D.—Pacific Coast all year.

Dill, J. W.—Kansas all year.

Faris, Isaiah—Kansas all year.

Conner, S. G.—Pittsburgh—June; Ohio—July; Kansas—August, September, October; Pittsburgh—November, December; Ohio—January, February; Pittsburgh—March, April, May.

Dodds, R. J.—Kansas—June, July; Iowa—August; Central Canada—October-February; Pittsburgh—March-May.

Fulton, W. S.—Ohio—June; Central Canada—July-August; Kansas—September-October; Ohio—November-December; Pittsburgh—January-February; New York—March-May.

McBurney, G. R.—Kansas, all year.

McClurkin, W. C.—Pittsburgh all year.

McFeeters, J. C.—Throughout the church throughout the year.

Doig, William M.—May 1925, Kansas.

H. G. FOSTER,
E. C. MITCHELL,
W. O. FERGUSON,
J. F. CASKEY,
HOMER SLOOP.

The report of the special committee on the use of funds derived from the mortgaging or sale of church property was adopted and is as follows:

The special committee to whom was referred the matter of the use of funds derived from mortgage and sale of church property would recommend the following action:

In regard to the use of funds derived from mortgage and sale of church property by congregations for pastors' salaries and current expense,

Be it resolved:

1. That Synod views such action with disapproval.
2. That Synod advises congregations that it is contrary

to the policy and practice of the church to divert money which has been contributed for church buildings to the support of the congregation, including pastors' salaries or current expense.

A. A. WYLIE,
P. J. McDONALD,
S. E. GREER,
DAVID W. PARK,
T. H. BOYD.

The report of the Special Committee on War was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAR.

Your committee appointed to frame resolutions on the question of war would respectfully submit the following:

Whereas, war is essentially and inherently a supreme violation of the teachings and spirit of Jesus; and, whereas, it is ineffective as a means for building the Kingdom of God, and is in its very nature self-defeating; and, whereas, it has been amply demonstrated that preparedness for war is no guarantee of national security; and, whereas, war as method for securing national ends, however just and right, is anti-Christian; be it resolved:

1. That the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Synod assembled requests the government of the United States to take immediate steps toward the outlawing of war as a legal and justifiable method of settling international disputes.

2. That this Synod insist on the substitution of law and the processes of law for violence in the settlement of such disputes, and to that end, that the Senate and Cabinet be urged to take the steps necessary to make this country a member of the permanent court of international justice and of the League of Nations. We favor this action however with this qualificaion that we deplore the failure of these instruments to embody a specific acknowledgment of the authority and law of Jesus Christ the Ruler of nations, and urge that this defect be speedily remedied.

3. That we demand the abandonment of economic imperialism as a policy of this government and that we urge the calling of another conference for general disarmament.

4. That this Synod deplores the Japanese exclusion provision of the immigration law which is needlessly insulting to a friendly nation and is provocative of ill-will and possibly of war.

5. That a permanent committee of three be appointed by the Board of Foreign Missions to promote education on international relations in every local church and to co-operate with the commission of international justice and good will of the Federal Council of Churches.

6. That this Synod endorses the International Ideals of the Churches which are as follows:

1. We believe that nations, no less than individuals are subject to God's immutable laws.

2. We believe that nations achieve true welfare, greatness and honor only through just dealing and unselfish service.

3. We believe that nations that regard themselves as Christian have special international obligations.

4. We believe that the spirit of Christian brotherliness can remove every unjust barrier of trade, color, creed and race.

5. We believe that Christian patriotism demands the practice of good will between nations.

6. We believe that international policies should secure equal justice for all races.

7. We believe that all nations should associate themselves permanently for world peace and good will.

8. We believe in international law, and in the universal use of international courts of justice and boards of arbitration.

9. We believe in a sweeping reduction of armaments by all nations.

10. We believe in a warless world, and dedicate ourselves to its achievement. Respectfully submitted,

R. C. WYLIE,
WALTER McCARROLL,
JOSEPH FLEMING.

J. B. Willson, Chairman, submitted the complete report of the Committee on Nominations which was approved and is as follows:

REPORT NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee respectfully reports the following nominations:

On War: R. C. Wylie, Walter McCarroll, Joseph Fleming.

On Pan Presbyterian Council: W. J. Coleman, J. M. Wylie, R. J. C. Dodds.

On undesignated bequests: F. M. Wilson, E. L. McKnight, F. M. Foster, O. L. Samson, J. S. Tibby.

On equalizing appropriations for Home and Foreign Missions: Geo. S. Coleman, D. H. Elliott, D. R. Taggart, I. R. Carithers, Homer Sloop.

On use of funds from church property: A. A. Wylie, P. J. McDonald, S. E. Greer, D. W. Park, T. H. Boyd.

On Secret Societies report and the K. K. K.: D. B. Martin, R. H. Martin, M. S. McMillan, John Coleman, John Hemphill, James Moore.

On union of Belle Center and Northwood: G. M. Robb, Paul Coleman, Wilson Duguid.

Digest Deliverances of Synod: R. C. Reed.

Commission requested by Philadelphia Presbytery: D. C. Mathews, R. C. Wylie, W. T. K. Thompson, Robert Park, F. F. Reade, J. B. Tweed, R. C. Reed, R. A. M. Steele, J. W. Anderson.

Memorials: T. J. Allen; J. B. Tweed, G. R. Steele.
A. A. Samson; C. A. Dodds, J. W. Carson.
J. W. Pritchard; W. J. Coleman.

Delegate to Christian Reformed Church: J. C. Mathews.

On Testimony: W. J. McKnight, F. D. Frazer, R. C. Wylie, Oliver Wylie, T. H. Martin.

Moderator's alternate: O. F. Thompson.

Board of Church Erection to succeed themselves: Walter McCarroll, S. E. Greer, S. R. Boggs.

Board of Control to succeed themselves: W. G. Robb, W. J. Marshall.

Temperance Committee: J. R. W. Stevenson, T. C. Weir.

Witness Committee to succeed themselves: Robert Park, J. B. Tweed, J. H. McBurney, J. S. Tibby.

To write to A. J. Khouri: R. W. Redpath.

To write letters of sympathy: Mrs. A. A. Samson—M. M. Pearce; Mrs. T. J. Allen—J. C. McFeeters; Mrs. J. W. Pritchard—W. J. Coleman; William McFarland—Isaiah Faris; A. I. Robb—G. N. Greer; James McCune—Thomas McFall; G. A. Edgar—J. R. Wylie; J. S. Thompson—J. C. Slater; W. G. Robb—W. M. Robb; F. D. Frazer—Paul Coleman; J. D. Edgar—A. A. Wylie; R. W. Piper—D. B. Elsey; R. S. McElhinney—M. K. Carson; Dr. and Mrs. John Peoples—S. E. Greer.

J. B. WILLSON,
J. M. JOHNSTON,
W. C. McCLURKIN,
J. L. PATTERSON,
J. T. HENSLEIGH.

M. M. Pearce and the Beaver Falls pastors were appointed a Committee to arrange the Sabbath services at next Synod.

A vote of thanks was extended the officers of Synod, the Forward Movement Secretary and others who have contributed to the comfort and pleasure of Synod.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Synod adjourned, singing the 133rd Psalm with prayer and the benediction by M. K. Carson, to meet in Geneva College, Wednesday, June 3, 1925, at 8:00 p. m.

G. M. ROBB, *Moderator*,
D. C. MATHEWS, *Clerk*,
T. C. McKNIGHT, *Assistant Clerk*.

APPENDIX

DEACONS' PARTICIPATION IN SYNOD.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

The Committee appointed at the last Synod to devise ways and means whereby the Diaconate can be given a larger share in the administration of the finances of the church, would respectfully report as follows:

In theory, the Deacon is an officer of the church, ordained to take charge of its temporal interests as the Elder is ordained to bear rule in spiritual matters. Practically this distinction has been maintained only within the congregations, while the affairs of the church at large, whether spiritual or temporal are administered exclusively by Ministers and Elders. This inconsistency between theory and practice has possibly some injurious effects. The state of our Synodical finances must in the last analysis depend upon the state of our congregational finances. Excluding those responsible for the administration of the latter from a share in the former results in a lack of co-ordination; the Deacons have not a first-hand information as to the work and needs of the Church, while the Synodical appropriations are made without the counsel of those who have a first-hand knowledge of local conditions. There is also the danger of regarding the office of Deacon as essentially inferior or subordinate to that of Elder. Such a view is unscriptural. Both offices have their origin in the authority of the King of the Church and both have an equal responsibility and importance.

But, though we can discern certain evils in our present system, your committee do not feel that they are of such a nature as to warrant any radical change. It has been proposed that a Deacon be sent to Synod from each congregation to have like powers as the present members. This would be impracticable. Synod is already too large for efficiency and too expensive for economy. Any change which would materially increase the size of Synod would in our opinion be unwise. Moreover, under such a system Deacons would be infringing on the prerogatives of Elders as much if not more than the reverse is true at present. Nor could the powers of Deacon delegates to Synod be limited to financial questions. It is almost impossible to divide the business of Synod into spiritual and financial items, and to attempt to do so would be a prolific source of unprofitable discussion.

Synod last year added a Deacon from each Presbytery to the Co-ordinating Committee. We feel that these delegates might well be given the privileges of the floor of Synod (though not the right to vote), but that is as far as we can go in this direction.

There is, however, another way in which your committee feels that the work of the Diaconate can be broadened. The office of Deacon is not legislative or judicial but essentially administrative. Even in the congregation the Board of Deacons does not ordinarily legislate as to financial matters, but ques-

tions outside routine business are ordinarily decided by the congregational meeting, while the Deacons administer and supervise the finances. If we apply this to the broader work of the church, would it not seem logical to assume that the Deacon has no inherent right to a seat in the Church courts, but that this order should have an important share in the administration of the church funds. We feel that it is no more than right to give the Deacons representation on every Synodical Board and Committee which disburses church money.

The work of the Board of Control, for example, closely approximates that for which the first deacons were chosen. That of the Board of Church Erection deals almost entirely with the temporalities of the Church. Financial matters form a considerable share of the work of the other Boards. It is on them that we feel that the ordained financial officers of the church should be represented and we are confident that their presence on these Boards will be valuable in many ways. We therefore make the following recommendations:

1. That the Deacons appointed by Presbyteries to serve on the Co-ordinating Committee be given the privileges of the floor of Synod, and share in the Traveling Fund, but that these Deacons shall not have the right to vote.

2. That three deacons be appointed to serve on each of the following: Board of Foreign Missions, Central Board of Missions, Witness Committee, Board of Church Erection and Board of Control.

3. That these members shall have the same powers as the present members, be chosen by Synod in the same manner, and that the initial appointments be made so that in future the term of one Deacon on each Board shall expire every year.

DAVID W. PARK,
SAMUEL R. BOGGS,
EVAN W. JONES.

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, ETC.

Foreign Mission Board— **Term Expires**

Walter McCarroll, D. D., S. E. Greer, D. D., Rev. F. L. Stewart, Joseph M. Steele, W. J. Beatty 1925
M. M. Pearce, D. D., T. M. Slater, D. D., Rev. J. W. F. Carlisle, Rev. R. A. Blair, Evan W. Jones, A. J. Harding 1926
F. M. Foster, Ph. D., J. C. McFeeters, D. D., F. M. Wilson, D. D., R. J. Bole, S. R. Boggs 1927
Corresponding Secretary, F. M. Wilson, D. D., 2410 N. Marshall Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Central Board of Missions— **Term Expires**

T. H. Acheson, D. D., R. J. G. McKnight, D. D., Rev. S. G. Conner, Rev. J. C. Slater, Rev. J. B. Willson .. 1925
W. J. Coleman, D. D., R. C. Wylie, LL. D., Rev. R. C. Reed, A. C. Coulter 1926
Rev. E. L. McKnight, Rev. R. A. Blair, J. S. Tibby, T. H. Martin 1927
Stated meetings in Room 408 Penn Building, Pittsburgh, on the third Monday in June, September, November, January, March and May. Corresponding Secretary, J. S. Tibby, above address.

Jewish Mission Board— **Term Expires**

F. M. Wilson, D. D., M. M. Pearce, D. D., R. W. Duncan, Ph. D., Susan Wiggins, M. D. 1923
Daniel Adams, J. R. McMullan, Mrs. M. S. Metheny .. 1924
S. E. Greer, D. D., Rev. F. L. Stewart, Robt. J. Crawford, Mrs. Jos. M. Steele 1925
Secretary, Susan Wiggins, M. D.

Synod's Board of Trustees— **Term Expires**

J. H. McBurney, J. S. Tibby, Thomas H. Boyd 1925
John M. Allen, William Blair, Oliver Wylie 1926
George A. McKee, Wm. J. Ward, Robt. M. Young .. 1927
Stated meetings in Room 408 Penn Building, Pittsburgh, on the second Thursday of February, May, August and November. Secretary, J. S. Tibby.

Board of Control— **Term Expires**

Rev. W. C. Allen, J. P. Baird 1925
Rev. H. G. Patterson, S. O. Carson 1926
O. L. Samson, A. F. Reid 1927
Rev. W. G. Robb, W. J. Marshall 1928
Annual meeting the second Tuesday of October, Secretary, Rev. H. G. Patterson, Morning Sun, Iowa.

Board of Church Erection— **Term Expires**

T. M. Slater, D. D., Rev. F. L. Stewart, R. J. Bole, Jos. M. Steele 1925
F. M. Foster, Ph. D., F. M. Wilson, D. D., Evan W. Jones 1926
Walter McCarroll, D.D., S. E. Greer, D. D., S. R. Boggs 1927
Secretary, S. E. Greer, D. D., 206 S. 43rd St., Philadelphia.

Board of Superintendents of Theological Seminary—

	Term Expires
Rev. J. B. Willson, Rev. R. C. Reed, K. M. Young	1925
W. J. Coleman, D. D., T. H. Acheson, D. D., T. S. Trumbull	1926
F. M. Wilson, D. D. Rev. D. C. Mathews, John W. Anderson	1927

Annual meeting on the first Tuesday of May at 9:00 a. m. Secretary, Rev. J. B. Willson.

Board of Corporators of Geneva College—

	Term Expires
Members chosen by Synod—	
James S. Tibby	1924
R. A. M. Steele	1925
D. H. Elliott, D. D.,	1926
Members chosen by Corporators—	
J. S. Martin, D. D., J. R. Wylie, D. D., Rev. Robert Park, J. H. McBurney	1925
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Regina	A. W. Edgar, Cor.	2312 Montage St.
Winnipeg	F. E. Allen	745 Beverly St.

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Greeley	Charles T. Carson	1426 12th Ave.
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	W. M. Robb	Lo Ting, South China
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	J. M. Coleman	Sparta, Illinois

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Rehoboth	W. C. Allen	Wyman
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	J. S. McGaw	Natl. Rfm. Assn, 9th St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Moderator ---------- E. C. Mitchell
Clerk ---------- Samuel Edgar
Supplies ----------D. H. Elliott

Congregations	Pastors or Cor.	Address
Beulah	E. G. Russell	Superior, Nebraska
Billings	J. W. Lucas, Cor.	Billings, Oklahoma
Cache Creek	Paul D. White, S. S.	Apache, Oklahoma
Clarinda	M. S. Mc Millan	Clarinda, Iowa, R. D. 3
Denison	W. O. Ferguson	Denison, Kan.
Eskridge	Samuel Edgar	Eskridge, Kan.
Hebron	J. R. W. Stevenson	Idana, Kan.
Kansas City	Paul Coleman	1317 W. 40th St., K. C., Mo.
Long Branch	O. F. Thompson	Blanchard, Iowa
Olathe	R. C. Redpath, Cor.	Olathe, Kan.
Quinter	E. C. Mitchell	Quinter, Kan.
Stafford	R. Boyd Wallace, Cor.	Stafford, Kan.
Sterling	G. R. Steele	Sterling, Kan.
Superior	E. G. Russell	Superior, Neb.
Topeka	D. R. Taggart	922 Clay Street
Winchester	E. K. Patton	Winchester, Kan.
Irving Pl. Mis.	Under care Topeka	
Mineola Mission	Under care Stafford	
	R. C. Adams	Tak Hing, So. China
	W. W. Carithers	Swissvale, Pa.
	J. W. Dill	Sterling, Kan.
	J. D. Edgar	San Diego, Calif.
	D. H. Elliott	1101 W. 10th St., Topeka
	Isaiah Faris	1112 W. 8th St., Topeka
	G. R. McBurney	Sterling, Kan.
	A. J. McFarland	Latakia, Syria
	J. C. Mitchell	Tak Hing, So. China
	Alvin W. Smith	Winchester, Kan.

New York

Cornwallis	Thomas McFall	Somerset, Nova Scotia
Barnesville	W. J. Curry, Cor.	Barnesville, New Brunswick
Barnet	D. B. Elsey	East Ryegate, Vermont
1st Boston	W. J. McKnight	200 Willow Ave. Sommerville, Mass.
2nd Boston	J. M. Foster	59 Pinckney Street
Bovina	A. M. Thompson	Bov'a. Center, Del. Co., N. Y.
Cambridge	John K. Gault	20 St. Paul St., Cambrg,Mass.
Coldenham		
Montclair	T. M. Slater	90 Midland Ave.
Newburg	J. W. F. Carlisle	284 Liberty Street.
2nd New York	Walter McCarroll	1182 Woodycrest Ave.
3rd New York	F. M. Foster	111 E. 177th Street
Walton	Boyd A. White	Walton, N. Y.
White Lake	J. H. Pritchard	White Lake, N. Y.
	R. J. Dodds	Beaver Falls, Pa.
	Julius Kempf	Tak Hingo, S. China
	T. A. Rusk	Shellburne Ave., Londondale, Pa.

Ohio

Moderator ---------- H. G. McConaughy
Clerk ---------- H. G. Foster
Supplies ---------- E. M. Elsey

Congregations	Pastors or Correspondents	Address
Belle Center	R. W. Piper	Belle Center, Ohio
Bellefontaine	H. G. Foster	Bellefontaine, Ohio
Cedarville (M. S.)	W. R. Sterrett, Cor.	Cedarville, Ohio
Cincinnati	E. M. Elsey	2411 Moerlein Ave, Clifton Heights
Hetherton	H. G. McConaughy	Hetherton, Mich.
Jonathans Creek	T. C. McKnight	New Concord, Ohio
New Concord	T. C. McKnight	New Concord, Ohio
Ray	R. O. Logan, Cor.	Ray, Indiana
Southfield	J. C. Mathews	Birmingham, Mich.
United Miami	John Peoples, Cor.	Bellefontaine, Ohio, R. D.
Utica	David B. Russell	Utica, Ohio
	W. S. Fulton	Belle Center, Ohio
	R. Hargrave	Huntsville, Ohio
	R. S. McElhinney	Bloomington, Ind.
	T. C. Sproul	619 N. Euclid St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pacific Coast

Moderator ---------- W. M. McNeel
Clerk ---------- M. R. Jameson

Fresno	W. M. McNeel	1066 Shields ave, r 1., b 541A
Hemet	John M. Wylie, Cor.	Hemet, California.
Los Angeles	W. R. Marvin, Cor.	613 East 27th Street
Portland	Edw. McBurney, Cor.	783½ Williams Ave.
Santa Ana	Geo. N. Greer	720 East 3rd. Street
Seattle	M. R. Jameson	134 North 7th Avenue
	W. A. Aikin	Hemet, California
	Frank D. Frazer	1202 Haight St., Portland, O.
	J. S. Thompson	Hemet, California

Philadelphia

Moderator ---------- Findley M. Wilson
Clerk ---------- Frank L. Stewart

1st Philadelphia	Samuel E. Greer	206 South 43rd. Street
2nd Philadelphia	Frank L. Stewart	225 North 17th Street
3rd Philadelphia	Findley M. Wilson	2410 North Marshall Street
Orlando	W. J. McBurney	Orlando, Florida, R. D. 1
	M. M. Pearce	Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pa.

Pittsburgh

Moderator ---------- J. T. Mitchell
Clerk ---------- R. W. Redpath
Supplies ---------- F. F. Reade

Congregations	Pastors or Correspondents	Address
Allegheny	W. J. Coleman	2325 Osgood St., Pitts., Pa.
B. R'n-Mahoning	Clark Pollock, Cor.	Marion Center, R. D. 1.
Beaver Falls	J. Boyd Tweed	Darl'gtn Rd, Beav'r Falls, Pa
Brookland	R. A. Blair, S. S.	Parnassus, Pa.
Cen. Allegheny	R. C. Reed	204 Langely St. Pitts., Pa.
College Hill	R. W. Redpath	3216 5th Ave., B'v'r Falls, Pa
Connellsville	J. M. Johnston	832 Morr'll Ave, Con'lsv'e, Pa
East End	E. L. McKnight	819 Behan St., N. S., Pitts.,Pa
Geneva	J. C. Slater	415 31st St., Beav'r Falls, Pa.
Little Beaver	J. G. Reed	New Galilee, Pa.
Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson	240 S. Erie St., Mercer, Pa.
Millers Run		
New Alexandria	D. C. Mathews	New Alexandria, Pa.
New Castle	E. A. Crooks	605 Oak St., New Castle, Pa.
N. Union (M. S.)	W. C. McClurkin, S. S.	310 Lafayette Ave., Obs. Sta., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Parnassus	R. A. Blair	Parnassus, Pa.
Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa.
Pittsburgh	T. H. Acheson	117 W McInt'r' Ave, Obs. Sta. Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rehoboth	J. T. Mitchell	R. D. 1, Mosgrove, Pa.
Slippery Rock	Vance T. Wilson, Cor.	Rose Point, Pa.
Syrian	A. J. Khouri	310 Sav'n'h Ave, W'k'sb'g, Pa
Union	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa.
Wilkinsburg	J. B. Willson	810 S. Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Youngstown	F. F. Reade	849 Parkw'd Ave, Y'ngst'n, O.
	Robert Clarke	3207 Col. Ave., B'v'r Falls, Pa
	John Coleman	2915 Col. Ave., B'v'r Falls, Pa
	S. G. Conner	R. D. 4, McDonald, Pa.
	S. J. Crowe	116 Garfi'ld Ave, N Castle, Pa
	J. F. Crozier	Rochester Mills, Pa.
	C. A. Dodds	126 Annabel St., Pitts., Pa.
	A. A. Johnston	Wooster, Ohio
	J. S. Martin	3110 5th Ave, Be'v'rFalls, Pa
	R. H. Martin	3411 5th Ave, Be'v'r Falls, Pa
	T. H. McElwain	Rose Point, Pa.
	J. C. McFeeters	Parnassus, Pa.
	R. J. McIsaac	Selma, Ala.
	R. J. G. McKnight	1411 Singer Pl, W'k'nsb'g, Pa
	Robert Park	3022 4th Ave., B'v'r Falls, Pa
	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupauca, Wis.
	B. M. Sharp	408 Penn Bldg., Pittsb'gh, Pa
	J. S. Stewart	709 N Mercer St,N. Castle,Pa
	J. R. Wylie	3231 4th Ave, Be'v'r Falls, Pa
	R. C. Wylie	119 W. McIntyre St., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rochester

Moderator ---------- William McFarland
Clerk and Supplies ---------- J. M. Rutherford

Congregations	Pastors or Correspondents	Address
Almonte	J. M. Rutherford	Almonte, Ontario, Can.
Lisbon	Albert A. Robson, Cor.	Lisbon, N. Y.
Lochiel	J. R. Latimer	Glen Sanfield, Ontario
Syracuse	Alva A. Wylie	116 East Lafayette St.
York	W. J. Sanderson	York New York
	James McCune	445 Biddle St, Wilkinsbrg, Pa
	William McFarland	222 W. Lafayette St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Levant Mission

Latakia	Khalil Awad	Latakia, Syria
	Hanna Besna	Latakia, Syria
	Mikhail Lattoof	Banished to Alexandretta.

STATISTICS OF CENTRAL CANADA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonages	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
No. Cong. 4																														
Delburne	2	2	13								3		1			4	14			1	38			No	$	$	$ 99	$ 25	$ 33	$ 157
Lake Reno	3	3	52	2						2			1			1	54			1	30	10		Yes		24	395	151	51	621
Regina	1	2	22						1	1			1			1	22		21	2	40			No	10		430	147	139	726
Winnipeg	2	4	36		6					6	1			1		2	32	1	31	2	100		10	No			1300	191	706	2179
Totals	8	11	123	2	6				1	9	4		3	1		8	122	1	52	6	208	10	10	1	$ 10	$ 24	$ 2224	$ 514	$ 929	$ 3701

STATISTICS OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY FNR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

No. Cong. 3																														
Denver	6	6	76	1	8			1	10			1			1	67	4	18	3	125	10	22	No	$ 25	$	$ 2500	$ 1650	$ 1055	$ 5230
Greeley	7	7	165	3	5		4	2	14	1		7			8	159	2		2	130	45	97	No	73	18	2000	1300	1839	5230
La Junta	3	4	54	3	3		1		7	1	7				8	55	9	2		73	20	13	No	26	7	1600	1020	668	3321
Totals	16	17	295	7	16		5	3	31	2	7	8			17	281	15	20	5	328	75	132		$ 124	$ 25	$ 6100	$ 3970	$ 3562	$13781

STATISTICS OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Paslor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
No. Cong. 5 Miss. Station 1																														
Bethel (Sparta)	5	3	69	..	..	..	1	..	3	4	1	..	7	..	..	8	73	15	8	1	70	25	44	Yes	$ 50	$	$ 1320	$ 1050	$ 1195	$ 3615
Bloomington	4	5	116	2	..	..	1	..	3	6	1	..	1	..	..	2	112	13	45	6	187	30	59	No	94	23	1717	1628	†3623	7085
Oakdale	9	5	156	1	2	..	..	..	4	7	5	..	3	..	..	8	157	11	44	4	151	29	50	Yes	26	34	*1320	754	‡3134	5268
Old Bethel	5	5	70	3	..	..	..	..	3	6	1	..	4	..	..	5	74	6	14	....	80	30	68	Yes	.....	.....	1150	952	275	2377
Princeton	3	4	50	1	..	..	..	..	2	3	1	..	..	..	..	1	48	12	7	....	40	20	....	Yes	9	.....	1397	342	683	2431
Selma (M. S.)	4	5	103	..	2	..	8	..	2	12	..	8	..	2	..	10	100	....	....	2	116	36	3	No	.....	15	276	116	139	546
Totals	30	27	564	7	4	..	10	..	17	38	9	8	15	2	..	34	564	57	118	13	644	170	224	4	$ 179	$ 72	$ 7180	$ 4842	$ 9049	$21322

(*) $2100 paid on parsonage. (†) $2503 paid on new church. (‡) And manse.

STATISTICS OF IOWA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

No. Cong 7	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Paslor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Chicago	6	5	38	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	5	1	..	8	45	5	2	4	100	....	15	No	$ 20	$ 5	$ 2000	$ 321	$ 1449	$ 3795
Hopkinton	3	3	70	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	70	6	22	....	57	12	33	Yes	22	1	1200	820	637	2680
Morning Sun	6	4	142	2	2	..	1	..	4	9	5	4	2	..	..	11	144	23	13	2	92	33	....	Yes	31	43	1700	743	1049	3566
Rehoboth	3	2	28	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	2	..	..	..	..	2	27	....	3	....	35	....	....	Yes	11	57	900	407	411	1786
Sharon	8	6	190	..	..	..	1	..	3	4	2	..	..	1	..	3	189	....	63	4	171	40	46	Yes	134	88	2000	1582	2510	6314
Vernon	2	1	29	..	4	..	..	..	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	....	23	1	6	....	....	....	1	No	.....	.....	200	265	55	520
Washington	2	2	21	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	4	..	..	..	..	4	23	1	5	1	21	....	16	No	21	4	500	196	215	936
Total	30	23	518	2	8	..	3	..	13	26	13	6	8	2	..	29	521	36	114	11	476	85	111	4	$ 239	$ 198	$ 8500	$ 4334	$ 6326	$19597

STATISTICS OF KANSAS PRESBYTERY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

No. Cong. 16
Mis. Sta. 2

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Increase	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Beulah	3	1	74	--	--	--	--	--	3	2	2	--	--	--	--	--	7	79	10	29	5	130	25	12	Yes	$ 16	$ 9	$ 1000	$ 350	$ 604	$ 1979
Superior	4	2	73	1	--	--	--	--	--	6	6	3	--	--	3	--	6	73	6	17	6	60	15	35	No	20	10	1250	84	497	1861
Billings	3	2	19	1	--	1	3	--	--	4	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	10	--	2	2	15	--	10	No	7	3	134	100	79	323
Cache Creek	4	3	72	--	--	--	5	--	--	1	4	2	--	--	--	6	72	12	--	--	75	--	--	--	--	--	--	357	3	360
Clarinda	5	6	135	5	--	--	--	--	2	7	10	--	2	--	--	12	138	10	37	3	155	34	--	Yes	--	108	2000	2780	2149	7037
Denison	4	5	117	2	1	--	6	--	2	11	5	--	--	--	--	5	111	14	38	5	128	18	25	No	37	16	1400	585	824	2862
Eskridge	7	5	84	1	--	--	--	--	1	2	7	--	--	--	2	9	91	11	8	2	67	22	--	No	18	4	1200	282	561	2065
Hebron	4	5	92	1	2	--	--	--	2	5	6	1	5	1	--	13	100	3	32	5	129	30	58	No	34	20	1200	975	770	2999
Kansas City	4	4	77	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	77	--	--	--	72	--	--	--	--	13	667	1200	1184	3064
Long Branch	5	6	96	--	2	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	94	8	40	3	70	20	15	Yes	17	31	1200	538	907	2693
Olathe	5	4	115	8	--	1	--	--	--	9	1	--	--	--	--	1	104	10	--	1	97	25	60	Yes	70	53	1500	1850	1450	4923
Quinter	4	5	106	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	10	1	3	--	--	14	117	8	58	6	160	38	65	No	9	3	1400	520	830	2762
Stafford	4	3	36	2	4	--	--	--	1	7	4	1	5	--	--	10	61	11	19	3	--	10	17	Yes	--	77	733	397	366	1573
Sterling	7	8	178	1	9	--	--	--	3	13	5	--	5	--	--	10	175	6	--	5	160	100	50	Yes	66	161	1800	1000	2050	5077
Topeka	4	6	87	--	1	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	1	1	--	--	87	8	11	--	150	25	80	Yes	30	64	1850	850	48	2842
Winchester	11	7	218	2	--	--	--	--	3	5	6	--	6	--	--	12	225	40	38	2	180	38	105	Yes	238	110	1800	2343	2336	6827
Irving Pl. Mission	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	No	--	--	--	--	--	7
Mineola Mission	1	--	6	--	3	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7
Totals	79	72	1605	26	22	2	14	3	23	77	61	13	30	5	2	105	1617	157	329	48	1648	400	532	8	$ 562	$ 682	$19134	$14211	$14665	$49254

STATISTICS OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonages	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
No. Cong. 13 Mis. Sta. 1																														
Barnet	4	2	59						3	3		1				1	59	9	18		60	25	15	No	$	$ 14	$ 1400	$ 406	$ 284	$ 2104
First Boston	3	2	70														68	1	17	2	50	25	20	No			2000	300	800	3100
Second Boston	3	2	34														34				25		10	No	10	200	1800	25	600	2635
Bovina	2	2	54		1					1	1					1	54		13		66	25		No	10	19	1070	550	766	2415
Cambridge	4	4	64	1	2				1	4	4		2	1		7	67	5	20		68	20	26	No	22	10	2000	450	1490	3972
Coldenham	5	3	50	1	2		1		1	5			3			3	50	13	6		55		23	Yes	36	30	800	354	136	1358
Montclair	2	4	35						2	2							33	10	9		46	24	12	No			1200	650	803	2653
First Newburgh	2	5	108			3			3	6							102	3		1	90	25		No	120		1800	1164	1345	4429
Second New York	9	4	174	2	5		5		4	16	2	3	1	3		9	167	16	14	2	207	15	42	No	15	100	4000	4818	9378	18311
Third New York	5	5	86				1		1	2	2					2	86				100	25		No	10		3500	729	4288	8517
Walton	5	7	104			1			1	2	4					4	106	26	26	1	101	30	52	No	29	30	1680	1001	1563	4303
White Lake	3	3	38						1	1	1					1	37	4	6		75	20	20	No	25		800	320	457	1602
Cornwallis	2	3	41	2					1	3							38										600	200		800
Barnesville (M.S.)			15						2	2							14											48		48
Totals	49	46	932	6	10	4	7		20	47	14	9	2	3		28	915	87	129	6	953	234	220	1	$ 277	$ 403	$22650	$11015	$21910	$56255

STATISTICS OF OHIO PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enroll't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
No. Cong. 10 Mission Sta, 1																														
Belle Center	3	†3	34						1	1	1		2			3	36	2	9		25	12	13	Yes	$	$ 14	$ c675	$ 307	$d 378	$ 1374
Bellefontaine	3	2	45						1	1							44	7			150	20	29	No		800	160	457	1417	
Cedarville, M. S.	1	†1	20	1	2					3							17	6			5		5	No	10	5	173	100	15	303
Cincinnati	3	2	43									3	1			4	47	8		‡1	105	13	29	Yes		130	1200	585	1196	3111
Johnathan's Creek	2	1	30														30	2	8	1	35		20	No	12	16	e 670	480	612	1790
Hetherton	5	5	54	8	4					12							42	6	14	1	35	12		No	5	25	800	100	237	1167
New Concord	4	3	45	1	2		5		2	10	4		19			23	58	8	6		38		30	No	19	25	a 579	552	725	1900
Ray	2	1	17														14								2	2	a 150	121	14	289
Southfield	4	4	63	2				4		6	3					3	62		17	2	55	38		No	12	100	a 1110	600	105	1927
United Miami	7	5	97		13		5	4		22							75	11	23	4	75	25	40	Yes		34	1200	406	418	2058
Utica	3	3	*25	1					2	3	2			2		4	50										g 600	170	150	920
Totals	37	30	473	13	21		10	8	5	58	10	3	22	2		37	475	50	77	9	523	120	166	3	$ 60	$ 351	$ 7957	$ 3581	$ 4307	$16256

* Mistake. † Trustees. ‡ Adult.

a Supplies, and salary 3 mos. c and Parsonage. d $61 to Geneva College.
e Including Supplies. g. For Supplies.

STATISTICS PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

Cong., 6																														
Fresno	3	1	22		1	2				3							19	5			10	8	11		$	$	$ 650	$ 75	$ 94	$ 819
Hemet	3	3	34	2			1			3	3				1	4	35	2	10		40	15	24			10	325	203	518	1065
Los Angeles	5	6	104		3				1	4	2		9			11	111	8	20	3	175	31	54			40	2500	1850	2706	7172
Portland	2	3	28	4						4							24	7	4		78	7	12			100	925	75	634	1734
Santa Ana	3	4	86						1	1			1	1		2	87	4	26	2	95	20	40			75	1800	1450	918	4463
Seattle	7	5	86						2	2	1	1			7	9	93	4	10	5	150	20	40			220	2250	731	2795	5960
Totals	23	22	360	6	4	2	1		4	17	6	1	10	1	8	26	369	30	70	14	548	101	181		$ 225	$ 489	$ 8450	$ 4384	$ 7685	$21213

STATISTICS OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

CONGREGATIONS No. Cong. 23 Mis. Sta. 2	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
																									$	$	$	$	$	$
Adamsville (M. S.)			4	1				1	2	4							78	5	14	2	85	52	53	No	44	49	2200	1291	4116	7700
Allegheny	5		84	5					3	8			1	1		2	31	7			14		17	Yes		6	525	335	97	963
Bear Run-Mahoning	3	(1)5	32						1	1																				
Beaver Falls	6	7	124						1	1	1		2			3	126	4	43		250	41	40	Yes	59		1500	819	3426	5804
Brookland	2		15														15		3		15			No			250	12	20	282
Central Allegheny	3		80		2				3	5		4	1			5	80	6	4	(2)3	220	20	50	No		60	2200	1100	2323	5683
College Hill	8	6	203		2		1	6	2	11	4	2	5			11	203	17	22	(3)5	265	(4)101	111	No	218	1863	2400	1586	8485	(5)14552
Connellsville	4	(1)6	53	1	1	1			1	4	1	6				7	56	3	23	3	102	35	20	No			2000	400	950	3350
East End	5	5	73		2		2	4	1	9	1	1		1		2	67	5	10	3	91	31	15	No	44	50	1750	619	2867	5330
Geneva	4	5	88						1	1			1	1		2	89	15	30		209	30	25	Yes	100		1800	1285	1459	4644
Little Beaver	3	4	54	4						4	1		2			3	53	3	15	3	40		8	Yes	17	88	1512	125	523	2265
Mercer	4	4	56				2			2			4			4	58	4	15		45		30	No	36		1300	575	620	2531

STATISTICS PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924 (Continued)

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
Millers Run	2		42						1	3	1					1	42	2			45		20	No	$ 26	$ 56	$ 1200	$ 1400	$ 296	$ 2978
New Alexandria	5	2	103		2												101	16	16		100	25	25	Yes	35	128	1500	2350	1408	5421
New Castle	4	7	145		1				3	4	5					5	146	6	38	3	230	40	65	Yes	------	267	2300	1230	1461	5258
North Union (M.S.)	1		29		1					1	2	2	2	1		7	35	6	6		37	23	8	No	------	------	608	150	940	1698
Parnassus	6	5	62	4				6	6	16	4		5			9	55	9	8	2	115	17	46	Yes	------	77	1500	1205	3881	6663
Pine Creek	1		9				3			3							6						6	No	-----	10	121	105	24	260
Pittsburgh	5	7	162	1	3				3	7	3	1	4			8	163	17			150	50	75	No	120	1025	3115	5177	7694	17131
Rehoboth	3	4	36								2	1				3	39				35		14	Yes	------	10	675	200	100	985
(6) Slippery Rock	4	3	45														45				60	42	40	Yes	------	----	800	335	366	1501
(7) Syria	2		26		1					1		2		1		3	28			2	25	20	1	No	------	------	700	100	(8) 2035	2835
Union	2		43	5	3				3	11	1		1			2	34	4	6		55		12	No	------	12	396	335	187	940
Wilkinsburg	4	(1)6	139	1	1				2	4	2	2		1		5	140	7	31	2	196	80	46	Yes	100	208	2800	4274	4566	11948
Youngstown	3	3	41								1		1			2	43	1	9		72	12	22	No	22	9	1200	131	1029	2391
Totals	89	79	1748	22	19	1	8	17	33	100	29	21	29	6		85	1733	137	293	28	2456	619	748	10	$ 821	$ 3918	$34352	$25139	$ 48883	$ 113113

(1) Trustees. (2) Adults 3. (3) Adults 1. (4) 19 Junior C. E. (5) $1348 new building fund and $2135 Geneva Campaign. (6) Report as given in application May 8, 1924, for supplement from Mission Conference. (7) Report in financial items incomplete; completed from application for aid. (8) Mostly for Syrian refugees in homeland; some for orphaned and needy relatives among refugees.

STATISTICS OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

CONGREGATIONS				DECREASE							INCREASE					MEMBERSHIP								CONTRIBUTIONS					
No. Cong. 4	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	On Roll This Year	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	Bible Society	National Reform	Paslor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
First Church	5	6	146		3				4	7	3	2		6		11	150	17	21		86	35			$	$	$ 3000	$ 2001	$ 3468	$ 8469
Second Church	4	*	134						2	2		4	4	1		9	141	3	23	2	103	34	72		15	40	2432	1781	3318	7586
Third Church	5	6	150		2		6	2	2	12	3	1		7	3	14	152			2	200	25	85		291	250	3000	7515	5078	16134
Orlando	5	4	59						1	1	3					3	61				†77	26	23			16	1200	314	1463	2993
Totals	19	16	489		5		6	2	9	22	9	7	4	14	3	37	504	20	44	4	466	120	180		$ 306	$ 306	$ 9632	$11611	$13327	$35182

* Seven Trustees. † Average attendance.

STATISTICS OF ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1924

No. Cong. 5																													
Almonte	4	4	66						2	2							66	2	18	3	60	21	66	Yes	$ 26	$ 12	1100	$ 175	$ 507	$ 1820
Lisbon	2	2	23														23	2			12		1	No			250	80	53	383
Lochiel	2	3	22														22	2	9		21		6	Yes	70		340	301	25	736
Syracuse	6	3	53						1	1				2		2	54	1	21		110	25	40	No	28	24	2200	1825	1260	5337
York	5	4	67														67	5	13	1	66	18	30	Yes	10	42	1050	698	631	2431
Totals	19	16	233						3	3				2		2	232	12	61	4	269	64	143	3	$ 134	$ 78	$ 4940	$ 3079	$ 2476	$10707

STATISTICAL REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION WORK

STATIONS	WORK'RS		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP					DAY SCHOOLS				SAB. SCHOOLS			MEDICAL WORK					
	Foreign	Native	Members	Increase	Decrease	Chapels	Baptisms	Number of Schools	Attendance	Foreign Teachers	Native Teachers	Number of Sabb'th Schools	Attendance	Teachers	Hospitals	Foreign Workers	Native Helpers	Patients	Dispensaries and Clinics	Patients
Tak Hing District	10	5	442	1	6	5	35	4	260	5	11	4	185	19	1	1	2	195	2	1637
Lo Ting District	4	6	316	7	2	6	51	1	128	2	4	4	147	14	1	2	3	284	1	5547
Canton Hospital	2														1	1	48	3528	1	20864
Syria	9		227	10		1	16	15	540	2	*15		264		1	3	2	160	1	9000
Asia Minor	3							2	155	3		1	25							
Cyprus	9		*70			2		2	232	20		2				1		5400		
Totals	37	11	1055	18	8	14	102	24	1315	32	30	11	621	33	4	8	55	9567	5	37048

(*) Incomplete or approximated.

SUMMARY

PRESBYTERIES	Congregations	Ministers	Elders	Deacons	On Roll Last Year	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll This Year	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonages	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Central Canada	4	1	8	11	123	2	6				1	9	4		3	1		8	122	1	52	6	208	10	10	1	$ 10	$ 24	$ 2224	$ 514	$ 929	$ 3701
Colorado	3	6	16	17	295	7	16		5		3	31	2	7	8			17	281	15	20	5	328	75	132		124	25	6100	3970	3562	13781
Illinois	5	9	30	27	564	7	4		10		17	38	9	8	15	2		34	564	57	118	13	644	170	224	4	179	72	7180	4842	9049	21322
Iowa	7	7	30	23	518	2	8		3		13	26	13	6	8			29	521	36	114	11	476	85	111	4	239	198	8500	4334	6326	19597
Kansas	16	21	79	72	1605	26	22	2	14	3	23	77	61	13	30	5	2	105	1617	157	329	48	648	400	502	8	562	682	19134	14211	14665	49254
New York	13	15	49	46	932	6	10	4	7		20	47	14	9	2	3		28	915	87	129	6	953	234	220	1	277	403	22650	11015	21910	56255
Ohio	10	11	37	30	473	13	21		10	8	5	58	10	3	22	2		37	475	50	77	9	523	120	166	3	60	351	7957	3581	4307	16256
Pacific Coast	6	6	23	22	360	6	4	2	1		4	17	6	1	10	1	8	26	369	30	70	14	548	101	181		225	489	8450	4384	7665	21213
Philadelphia	4	5	19	16	489		5		6	2	9	22	9	7	4	14	3	37	504	20	44	4	466	120	180		306	306	9632	11611	13327	35182
Pittsburgh	23	38	89	79	1748	22	19	1	8	17	33	100	29	21	29	6		85	1733	137	293	28	2456	619	748	10	821	3918	34352	25139	48883	113113
Rochester	5	6	19	16	233						3	3				2		2	232	12	61	4	269	64	143	3	134	78	4940	3079	2476	10707
Foreign Missions		3									8							18	1055			102	621									
Totals	96	128	399	359	7340	91	115	9	64	30	131	436	157	75	131	38	13	426	8388	602	1307	250	8140	1998	2617	34	$ 2937	$ 6546	131119	$86680	133099	360381

DIRECTORY AND STATISTICS OF THE WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1924.

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Cambridge—Mrs. Geo. Calderwood, Lexington, Mass.
Coldenham—Mrs. R. J. Dodds, Walden, N. Y., R. D. 1.
Montclair—Mrs. T. M. Slater, 90 Midland St., Montclair, N. J.
Newburgh—Miss Allwood, 209 N. Miller St., Newburgh, N. Y.
Second New York—Mrs. Walter McCarroll, 1438 Shakespeare Ave., Bronx, N. Y.
Third New York—Miss Elizabeth Irwin, 351 W. 25th St., N. Y. City.

Ohio Presbyterial—

Belle Center—Miss Mae Fulton, Belle Center, Ohio.
Bellefontaine—Mrs. H. G. Foster, 301 N. Madriver St., Bellefontaine, Ohio.
Cincinnati—Mrs. E. M. Elsey, 2411 Moerlein Ave., Clifton Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Hetherton—Mrs. H. G. McConaughy, Hetherton, Michigan.
Jonathan's Cr., Mrs. F. R. George, White Cottage, Ohio.
Southfield—Mrs. J. C. Mathews, 516 Pierce St., Birmingham, Mich.
United Miami—Mrs. T. W. Funk, Bellefontaine, O., R. D. 4.
Utica—Mrs. W. W. Reynolds, Utica, Ohio.
Junior Supt.—Miss Anna McKelvey, Hetherton, Mich.

Pacific Coast Presbyterial—

Fresno—Mrs. W. M. McNeel, 1066 Shields Ave., Rt. A, Fresno, Calif.
Hemet—Mrs. W. O. Morrow, Hemet, Calif., Rt. 1.
Los Angeles—Mrs. W. R. Marvin, 613 E. 27th St., Los Angeles, Calif.
Los Angeles Y.—Mrs. Buchannan, 5214 Hartwick St., Eagle Rock, Calif.
Santa Ana—Mrs. T. L. Faris, 384 S. Glassel St., Orange, Calif.
Seattle—Mrs. M. A. Hemphill, 5042 18th N. E., Seattle, Wash.
Junior Supt.—Miss Ethel Torrens, 801 E. 3rd St., Santa Ana, Calif.

Philadelphia Presbyterial—

First Philadelphia—Mrs. J. H. Minnick, 4841 Hazel Ave., Philadelphia.
Second Philadelphia—Mrs. F. L. Stewart, 225 N. 17th St., Philadelphia.
Third Philadelphia—Miss Margaret McCandless, 175 W. Dauphin St., Philadelphia.
Orlando—Mrs. S. J. Johnston, Orlando, Florida, R. D. 2.
Junior Supt.—Mrs. J. A. Carson, 1248 S. St. Bernard St., Philadelphia.

Pittsburgh Presbyterial—

Allegheny—Mrs. T. H. Martin, 1015 Center Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Bear Run—Mrs. J. W. McKee, Rossiter, Pa., R. D. 1.
Beaver Falls—Mrs. H. J. George, Darlington Road, Beaver Falls, Pa.
Central Allegheny—Mrs. M. L. Watson, 5424 Walnut St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Faith Mission and Aid—Miss Ida E. Henzel, Geyer & Somerset, Pittsburgh, Pa.
College Hill—Mrs. Walker Wilson, 5th Ave., College Hill, Beaver Falls, Pa.
College Hill Y.—Mrs. F. B. Ransom, 415 32nd St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Connellsville—Mrs. J. M. Johnston, 832 Morrell Ave., Connelsville, Pa.
East End—Mrs. R. A. M. Steele, 139 S. Highland Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Geneva—Mrs. J. C. Slater, 415 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Little Beaver—Mrs. J. G. Reed, New Galilee, Pa.
Mahoning—Mrs. Anna Pollock, Marion Center, Pa., R. D. 2.
Millers Run—Mrs. S. G. Conner, McDonald, Pa., R. D. 4.
New Alexandria—Mrs. D. C. Mathews, New Alexandria, Pa.
New Castle—Mrs. R. H. Pattison, 720 Brooklyn Ave., New Castle, Pa.
Parnassus—Mrs. R. A. Blair, 703 5th St., Parnassus, Pa.
Parnassus Y.—Mrs. R. M. Young, 338 4th Ave., Parnassus, Pa.
Pittsburgh—Mrs. T. H. Acheson, 117 W. McIntyre St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Jean Barr China Club—Anna Schleder, 1425 Spring Garden Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Slippery Rock—Miss Pearl Kennedy, Rose Point, Pa.
Union & Pine Cr.—Mrs. W. H. Smith, Valencia, Pa.
Wilkinsburg—Mrs. R. J. G. McKnight, 1311 Singer Pl, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Wilkinsburg Y.—Rhoda M. Beatty, 310 West St., Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Youngstown—Mrs. F. F. Reade, 849 Parkwood Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.
Junior Supt.—Mrs. R. W. Wallace, 3405 4th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

STATISTICS OF THE SOCIETIES.

SOCIETIES	Women in Congregation	Membership	Olive Trees Taken	Value goods sent	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Separate Societies							
Almonte	33	15	8	$	$ 30	$ 56	35
Syracuse	34	32	14	18	47	110	80
Winnipeg	14	13	2	30		90	
York	38	23	11	93		35	
New Concord	31	27	8	63	36	108	
Walton	48	30	16			81	
	198	140	59	204	113	480	
Colorado Presbytery							
Denver	30	32	16		90	336	88
Denver Y.		10					
Greeley	60	50	20	7	59	148	83
La Junta	20	16	7		57	141	
2 Junior		34				21	
	110	142	43	7	206	646	
Illinois Presbytery							
Bloomington	60	40	14	100	78	592	83
Oakdale	79	28	9	49	16	109	
Oakdale Y.		26		17	18	28	
Old Bethel	40	15	16		18	60	84
Princeton	22	12	7	3	29	380	77
Sparta	52	20	13	46	18	94	80
Selma	39	25			17	83	
4 Junior		43				30	
	292	209	59	215	194	1376	
Iowa Presbytery							
Chicago	26	15	6		30	53	
Hopkinton	33	27	8	65	92	154	53
Morning Sun	75	31	15		94	221	
Morning Sun Y.		12					
Rehoboth	14	6	8	17	60	113	50
Sharon	91	22	21	41	98	249	
Sharon Pathfinders		22		61		373	
2 Junior		32				9	
	239	167	58	184	374	1172	

SOCIETIES	Women in Congregation	Membership	Olive Trees Taken	Value goods sent	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Kansas Presbytery							
Beulah	32	16	7	$ 12	$ 21	$ 73	53
Blanchard	47	21	14		17	91	80
Clarinda	57	42	33		63	348	87
Denison	40	25	13	20	17	141	85
Eskridge	35	23	19	25	17	200	86
Hebron	41	22	16	5		198	93
Kansas City	26	11	12		20	23	
Olathe	54	48		21	75	178	94
Quinter	48	32	16	10	77	493	97
Stafford	29	7	5		14	43	88
Sterling	89	50	29	75	100	181	90
Superior	37	16	4		48	154	79
Topeka	52	25	17	69	46	155	91
Winchester	80	47	30	317	74	228	93
11 Junior		271			34	375	
	667	656	215	554	623	2881	
New York Presbytery							
Barnet	38	35	5	40	22	75	
Bovina	27	23	12	15	38	91	
Cambridge	36	21	14	108	57	168	58
Coldenham	29	28	12		142	261	85
Montclair	17	11	5	19	50	74	
Newburgh	50	22				40	
Second New York	108	44			223	725	83
Third New York	45	17	11		83	121	
	350	201	59	182	615	1555	
Ohio Presbytery							
Belle Center		18		28	22	62	
Bellefontaine	27	17	3	100	25	56	
Cincinnati		18	7	10	13	57	
Hetherton	19	16	6	16	8	50	42
Jonathan's Cr.	18	18		84	31	76	20
Southfield	32	28	18	10	61	221	71
United Miami	45	30	6	80	44	95	74
Utica	24	18	8		23	91	
1 Junior		21				2	
	165	184	48	328	226	710	

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Pacific Coast Presbytery							
Fresno	8	8	1	$	$	$ 107	
Hemet	14	12	6		1	31	78
Los Angeles	58	25	18		122	322	87
Los Angeles Y.		18				35	
Santa Ana	43	27	16		72	151	90
Seattle	54	26	15	10		64	63
3 Junior		39			7	25	
	177	155	56	10	202	735	
Philadelphia Presbytery							
First Philadelphia	84	24	14	$	$ 161	$ 224	85
Second Philadelphia		38			159	289	83
Third Philadelphia	83	59	25	15	420	1076	90
Orlando	31	27	8	25	40	157	87
2 Junior		26			17	45	
	198	174	47	40	797	1791	
Pittsburgh Presbytery							
Allegheny	61	23	8	$ 20	$ 102	$ 476	95
Bear Run	16	18	4	27	40	135	75
Beaver Falls	56	26	7	25	51	173	
Central Allegheny	65	29	16		155	634	82
Faith Mis. and Aid	9	37	5		56	182	
College Hill	100	29	33		180	568	93
College Hill Y.		23			51	320	82
Connellsville	25	20	10	30	23	89	90
East End	25	17	16	19	76	193	70
Geneva	50	16	8	12	45	269	88
Little Beaver	24	21	12	41	48	126	83
Mahoning	7	8	3		21	89	
Millers Run	25	7	12	25	86	242	
New Alexandria	46	27	14	30	121	351	92
New Castle	72	51	12		141	445	93
Parnassus	34	10	14	42	50	374	88
Parnassus Y.		20		60	67	155	97
Pittsburgh	74	54	42		356	831	93
Jean Barr Ch. Club		15		25	36	133	
Slippery Rock	23	24		35		63	64
Union and Pine Cr.	29	16	9	11	40	54	67
Wilkinsburg	86	30	35		287	565	92
Wilkinsburg Y.		40			220	437	76
Youngstown	25	17	9		34	88	72
Mercer cong.					15	20	
Allegheny C. Y. P. U.						20	
11 Junior		174			63	121	
	852	752	269	402	2364	7153	

WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Statistical Report for the Year Ending March 31, 1924. --- Summary

SOCIETIES AND PRESBYTERIALS	Number of Societies	Women in Congregations	Regular Members	Honorary Members	Associate Members	Number of Meetings	Average Attendance	Copies Olive Trees in Congregation	Uniform Programs	Mission Study	Using Standard of Efficiency	Presbyterial Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Missions and Other Benevolences	Local Expense	Thankoffering	Totals	Valuation Boxes Sent
Separate Societies	6	198	140	5	6	65	72	59	5	4	2	$	$ 3	$ 314	$ 50	$ 113	$ 480	$ 204
Colorado	6	110	142		12	87	66	43	3	3	2	5	7	335	93	205	646	7
Illinois	11	292	209	35	9	78	73	59	7	5	4	21	14	339	807	194	1376	215
Iowa	9	239	167	6	1	95	78	58	6	5	2	12	10	693	83	374	1172	184
Kansas	25	667	656	34	9	329	191	215	14	22	17	70	33	1655	500	624	2881	555
New York	8	350	201	59	20	84	79	59	8	3	3	28	10	790	112	615	1555	182
Ohio	9	165	184		6	126	77	48	6	4	4	11	8	358	106	226	710	328
Pacific Coast	9	177	155	19	7	55	71	56	6	9	4	7	13	414	100	201	735	10
Philadelphia	6	198	174	29	8	69	79	47	4	6	6	3	18	886	88	797	1791	40
Pittsburgh	35	852	752	51	49	365	259	269	19	28	25	58	45	3971	716	2364	7153	402
Totals	124	3248	2780	238	127	1353	1045	913	78	89	69	$ 215	$ 161	$ 9755	$ 2655	$ 5713	$18499	$ 2127

78 W. M. S., membership 1917. 10 Y. W. M. S., membership 223. 36 Junior M. S., membership 640.
Honorary Members (men), 238. Associate members, 127. Total enrollment in Synodical, 3145.